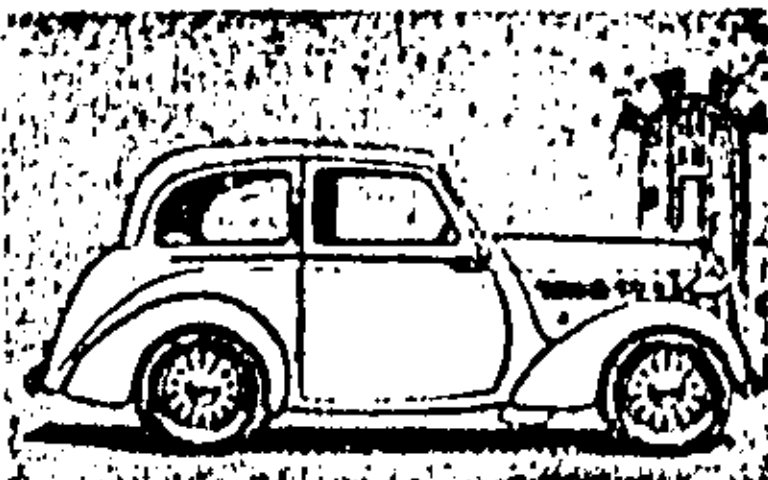


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## BIG NAVAL INCREASE PREDICTED FOR H.K. BY HECTOR BYWATER

### Noted Naval Correspondent Sends Special Message to "Telegraph"



PATHTIC JOEY sniffs through a crack in his crate home at this strange new world to which he has been brought. Joey is one of the Australian kangaroos brought to Hongkong for sale to tourists. Few kangaroos live unless they are allowed to roam freely and are fed on succulent fresh grass. Climate conditions in Hongkong also lessen Joey's chances of survival.—Staff Photographer.

## N. China Puppets At Loggerheads

### SUDETEN VOTING WAS UNANIMOUS

Nearly Hundred Per  
Cent. For Hitler

BERLIN, Dec. 5.  
THE COMPLEMENTARY  
ELECTIONS to the Reichstag which took place on Sunday in the Sudeten area, as well as in the old Reich and Austria, yielded the following results, which, however, are stated still to be provisional:

Number of electors, 2,552,863;  
number of voters, 2,497,604; Ayes  
2,464,681; Noes 27,427; invalid  
5,496.

The number of seats in the Reichstag will be increased by 41 in consequence of these elections.

The overwhelming result of the Sudeten-German elections showing almost 100 per cent. victory for Herr Hitler and Greater Germany, is commented upon by the entire North Italian press in comprehensive reports from Sudetenland.

The "Popolo d'Italia" calls the result a triumph of the National-Socialist policy, based principally on the theory of national community. In spite of the enormous enthusiasm throughout Sudetenland, not a single incident has been reported during the elections. This is given due prominence in the Italian newspapers, who comment on the perfect order and discipline maintained during the week-end.—Trans-Ocean.

PEIPING, Dec. 5.  
ACCORDING TO CIRCLES who believe that General Dohara will be appointed head of the Asiatic Development Bureau, the emergence of the "Lawrence of Manchukuo" is only being delayed because the Japanese have not yet decided on the exact organization and powers of the new Government.

The same circles state that Wang Keli-min is definitely considering resigning should Wu Pei-fu be given power without obligation to use the present officials of the Provisional Government.

Government officials hint that such a resignation is a possibility, but they are insistent that Major-General Seichi Kito is still likely to hold considerable power, even though the special military mission is absorbed into the Asiatic Development Bureau.

Officials assert that Major-General Kito is a close friend of General Sugiyama, the new commander of the North China forces, who will possibly be willing to back Kito's political schemes.

It is significant that Japanese circles are not unanimous in the opinion that General Dohara has been chosen for the political key job.

Some Japanese circles agree with certain Chinese circles that the Kito and Wang Keli-min group are now trying to postpone discussions of the presidency until the conference of the United Council on December 22, when the presidential electoral machine will be started.—United Press.

### HAINAN TENSION IS EASED

Hollow, Dec. 6.  
Tension at Hainan Island has been considerably eased after the departure of ten Japanese warships.—Central News.

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LARGE ADDITIONS to British naval strength in the Far East are envisaged by Mr. Hector C. Bywater, Naval Correspondent of the London "Daily Telegraph & Morning Post."

Following publication in the Final Edition of the "Hongkong Telegraph" yesterday of Mr. Bywater's forecast that the British naval estimates which will be presented to Parliament next February provide for considerably larger additions to the British Fleet than has been expected, the "Hongkong Telegraph" cabled Mr. Bywater, asking if he would be good enough to amplify his statement with particular reference to the position in the Far East.

### DEMOCRAT NEWSPAPERS BANNED

As Italian Press  
Continues Attacks

ROME, Dec. 5.  
SIGNOR GAYDA, writing in the "Giornale d'Italia" declares that the preordained and organised events in Corsica and Tunis against Italy must be stressed as a fateful sign of the responsibility of France, but they cannot make Italy abandon a policy of inflexibly safeguarding her interests and aspirations.

Signor Gayda points out that Germany is not only on the frontiers of Italy, but the frontiers of France near territory under French sovereignty which is populated by 3,500,000 Germans, and which is rich in iron and potash.

Further press attacks on France spread to-day, meanwhile the admission into Italy of British and French newspapers is banned.—Reuter.

### DETIMENTAL EFFECT ON APPREHENSION

London, Dec. 5.  
Making a statement in the House of Commons to-day, the Premier, Mr. Neville Chamberlain said there was nothing in the Anglo-Italian agreement affecting British obligations to France, and while Tunis, Corsica and Nice were not specifically mentioned in the negotiations prior to the agreement, they were covered by an annex, which dealt with the maintenance of the status quo in the Mediterranean.

In the view of the demoralisation in the Italian Chamber, the British Ambassador to Rome, Lord Perth, had been instructed to represent to Count Ciano that incidents of this kind—unless steps were taken to correct the impression—must have a most detrimental effect on the prospects of collaboration between the four Munich Powers.

From Count Ciano's reply it was clear that the Italian Government did not associate itself with the demoralisation, and it had no intention of departing from the undertakings given Britain.

Mr. Chamberlain could see no reason to alter the present arrangements for his visit to Rome.  
Mr. Arthur Henderson (Lab) asked whether Mr. Chamberlain would (Continued on Page 4.)

In his reply, received early this morning, the noted Naval Correspondent predicts that the present naval strength of five cruisers, one aircraft carrier, a destroyer flotilla and a submarine flotilla in Hongkong will be considerably increased under the new estimates.

"The present standard of relative strengths between Britain's and other fleets, which provides for a maximum of 60 modern and ten old cruisers, is no longer considered adequate to meet defence requirements in Europe, the Near East and the Far East," Mr. Bywater cables. The plans include a considerable strengthening of the position in the Far East, and items with reference to Hongkong and Singapore are likely to create considerable surprise when the estimates are introduced.

In addition to radical increases in fleet strength and personnel, Mr. Bywater reveals in his cable that the new naval plan envisages the construction of a group of powerful ocean-going tugs, which will be used at all stations for salvage purposes.

BATTLESHIPS FOR SPOKE?  
Although the great Singapore Dock is already completed and is capable of docking Britain's largest battleship, no attempt has yet been made to create a new Pacific squadron which will be based ultimately at Singapore.

Presumably, one of the surprises to which the Naval Correspondent refers relates to the birth of this Pacific squadron, which is almost certain to include one or two battleships.

They will be the first British ships exceeding 10,000 tons (with the exception of aircraft carriers) to be based in the Pacific.

The present British naval strength in the Pacific, excluding the Royal Australian Navy, is as follows:  
Cruisers: H. M. ships Kent, Suffolk, Dorsetshire, Birmingham and Cardiff.  
Aircraft Carrier: H. M. S. Eagle.  
Destroyers: H. M. ships Duncan, Decoy, Dainty, Defender, Diana, Delight, Duchess, Diamond, Daring, Westcott.

Submarines: H. M. ships Medway (depot ship), Odin, Obus, Olympus, Orpheus, Perseus, Parthian, Phoenix, Pandora, Proteus, Rainbow, Rover, Regent, Regulus, Grampus, Rorqual.

All these ships are based at Hongkong. In addition there are several small gunboats attached to the West River and Yangtze Patrol.

H. M. S. Herald is used for survey work. H. M. S. Thetis and H. M. S. Thracian are attached to the Hongkong Defence Flotilla.

### ANTI-COMINTERN ALLIANCE

London, Dec. 5.  
The Premier replied in the negative when asked in the House of Commons to-day whether he had information to show that the anti-Comintern Pact between Germany, Italy and Japan had been strengthened so as to be a military alliance between these three countries.—Reuter.

## "One For All, All For One," Is Empire's Policy

LONDON, Dec. 5.  
"I AM SURE I am rightly interpreting the wishes of the people of this country if I say that if any other part of the British Commonwealth is attacked, we should, without hesitation, go to its aid," declared Mr. Neville Chamberlain in answer to Mr. Arthur Henderson.

The Labour leader asked whether the Premier was aware of the recent declaration by General Hertzog to the effect that each Dominion should do as it likes in the event of Britain being involved in war.

Cheers greeted Mr. Chamberlain's announcement to the House that after the demonstration in the Italian Chamber, Lord Perth saw Count Ciano. From Count Ciano's reply it was clear the Italian Government did not associate itself with the demonstration, and had no intention of departing from the undertaking given to Britain in respect of the status quo in the Mediterranean.—Reuter.

## BRITISH SHIPS CAN'T COMPETE

Japanese Discrimination  
In North China

LONDON, Dec. 5.  
MR. A. C. MOREING asked in the House of Commons to-day what steps were being taken to remove pressure which had been exercised by the Japanese authorities in North China upon Chinese firms to compel the latter to ship goods in Japanese or German ships instead of British ships.

Mr. R. A. Butler replied that the position was that a ban existed at Chefoo and other ports in Shantung on exports to South China of certain articles, not being the property of Third Power nationals.

In one case which was brought to the notice of the Foreign Secretary, a foreign vessel was permitted, although the goods were apparently Chinese-owned.

Representations had been made to the Japanese authorities in China, and the Japanese Government, both with regard to interference with trade in British ships, and discrimination in favour of a foreign vessel.—Reuter.

### URGENT BRITISH REPRESENTATIONS

London, Dec. 5.  
Replying to the suggestion by Sir Walter Smiles that the Japanese army authorities and what administration at Tientsin no longer objected to British ships berthing at the wharves, and that subordinate Japanese officials were making a large profit from lighterage charges, which the Japanese Naval Mission at Tientsin compelled British owners to pay, Mr. R. A. Butler in the House of Commons to-day replied:

"As a result of representations, the Japanese naval authorities at Tientsin have undertaken that if conditions permit, to arrange the matter satisfactorily as soon as possible."

"The British Government expects this assurance will be implemented at an early date."

"I understand that following complaints of excessive lighterage charges, the Japanese authorities at Tientsin recently investigated the affairs of the Lighterage Company, and some reorganisation has been effected."

Mr. R. A. Butler added that urgent representations had been made to the Japanese Government that British ships be allowed to berth at the commercial harbour in Tientsin, but he had not yet obtained a satisfactory reply.—Reuter.

### POLICE OFFICER IMPROVING

It was learned this morning that the condition of Sergeant Turcott, who was wounded by a Chinese on Saturday morning, is much better, though he is not yet out of danger.

## Britain and The Hankow Evacuation

LONDON, Dec. 5.  
IN THE HOUSE of Commons to-day, Mr. A. C. Moreing asked whether, after the Chinese had retreated from Hankow, British bluejackets were sent to cut wires and remove explosives laid by the Chinese in Japanese buildings: by whose orders this was done, and what was the reason for interfering with legitimate Chinese military operations?

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied in the affirmative, and said that after the Chinese withdrawal, British naval patrols were landed to maintain order in the former British concession which was crowded with refugees.

On taking over the temporary charge, they removed dynamite and other charges from buildings which had previously been prepared for demolition.

This was done to prevent damage to adjoining British property, and loss of life in the former British concession.

As regards the latter part of the question, the British Government was satisfied that in the interests of humanity the action was fully justified.

Mr. Moreing asked if Mr. Butler was satisfied that these buildings in which explosives were laid, were in all cases adjacent to British property, and whether, in fact, in many instances they were in separate parts of the town, and whether, in that case, it would constitute interference with Chinese military operations.

Mr. Butler replied that if Mr. Moreing had any information to give him he would certainly consider it.

## Work Resumes In Factories In France

Paris, Dec. 5.  
Work in the factories which were concerned in the general strike is gradually being resumed, and it is expected that nearly all plants will be operating in the course of the next three days.

Some works are being guarded by a large force of police and mobile units, and only those workers are admitted who are in possession of special identity cards, as well as a certificate of employment issued by the management.

Those sections of industry which are concerned with national defence are re-opening first, and other sections will probably follow soon.

It is stated that in the metal industry as a whole in the Paris region an overwhelming majority of workers have accepted employers' demands to sign new individual contracts in place of the collective agreement which lapsed owing to the attempted general strike.

The number of workers who have hitherto refused to comply with this condition was estimated this afternoon to be only three or four thousand.—Trans-Ocean.

## New Hungarian Deputies Join Parliament

Budapest, Dec. 5.  
Seventeen Deputies who formerly represented in the Czech-Slovak Parliament those territories now ceded to Hungary, to-day took their seats in the Lower House of the Hungarian Diet.

In the course of the sitting, the House elected the former Premier, M. Danyasi as President (150 votes to 80, the former President, Dr. Kornis, who resigned before the recent parliamentary crisis, and joined a dissident group, being defeated).

These figures are generally believed to furnish an indication of the strength of the majority which Premier Danyasi and his associates will command in the new assembly.

## JAPANESE CAPTURE KONGMOON

Another Treaty Port  
Falls To Invaders

JAPANESE TROOPS  
LAST NIGHT occupied Kongmoon, important Treaty Port 35 miles north-west of Macao.

Kongmoon, which in normal times has a population of 98,000, is the twenty-first treaty port to be occupied since the commencement of hostilities between China and Japan. It was proclaimed a treaty port in March, 1904.

According to reliable Chinese sources, the occupation was completed last night after bitter fighting between the opposing forces.

Weight of Japanese artillery, supported heavily by the air arm, finally forced the evacuation of the West River city by the defenders.

Sunwui, famous town of tens of thousands of overseas Chinese in every part of the world, is now threatened by the invading forces.

With the fall, in rapid succession, of Kowkong and Kongmoon, the Chungshan district has been practically isolated from the rest of Kwangtung.

The Japanese have almost completely cut off Macao, the Portuguese Colony, from the interior.

Martial law has been declared throughout the Chungshan district.

Gunfire is audible in Chungshan, from where hundreds of refugees are pouring into Ma so.

Dynamite squads are laying charges under all bridges and culverts in anticipation of a rapid Japanese drive south-eastwards.

## LATE NEWS

## Franco-Italy Tension Increasing

Rome, Dec. 5.  
Monday has brought a further increase in the Franco-Italian tension, judging by the information gathered from political circles in Rome.

It is said to have been largely brought about by attempts in certain French quarters to include the visit of the German Foreign Minister to Paris in the anti-Italian press campaign, and to try and convince this visit as an invitation on the part of Germany to depart from the policy of the Rome-Berlin axis.

The semi-official Giornale d'Italia emphatically denounces these attempts, observing that these French newspapers have apparently failed altogether to understand that Rome and Berlin stand in a spirit which is being directed by the leaders of Italy and Germany.—Trans-Ocean.



# NAZIS SEEK ANCESTORS IN ENGLAND

## To Prove 'Pure Blood'

German and Austrian officials and professional men who have English forebears are anxiously hunting their ancestors so that they can prove "Aryan" descent to satisfy Nazi racial decrees.

The Society of Genealogists in London is helping them in the same way they helped hundreds of German citizens to establish the "purity" of their blood.

Mrs. K. Blomfield, secretary of the society, said: "We dealt with many hundreds of inquiries for family trees from Germans when the racial decrees were first promulgated. Now they apply to Austria, and it is from there inquiries have been coming recently."

"The inquirers, professional men or Government officials, often have to establish their pedigree back to 1700."

"With the help of our records, if the people are able to indicate the English parish where their parents or grandparents came from, we are able to tell them where baptismal certificates may be obtained."

"We have been able to relieve the anxiety of many Germans and Austrians who felt they might be affected in their positions if there was any doubt about them being 'pure Aryans'."

"The search fee is £1 a day, but we often do it for much less, as the people cannot send more than ten shillings at a time out of the country."

"Normally, searches are for bona fide genealogists, members of the society, but we are so sorry for these poor people—it is often a matter of life or death for them to get the information—that we try to trace their family history as we would for our own members."

## DICTATOR FILM FOR CHAPLIN?

New York.

Hollywood was startled recently by a report that Charlie Chaplin is preparing to begin work on a new film, in which he will play two roles—one that of a defenceless little Jew who is mistaken for a powerful dictator, and the other the dictator himself.

It is stated that Chaplin will speak as a dictator, but rely on pantomime for the other part.

Hitherto producers generally, under direct pressure from abroad, have avoided any topic or incident which could offend the dictatorialships and deprive a film of the world market.

## October Trade

Britain's overseas trade in October, showing an improvement on September, was smaller than in October, 1937—the decline being partly explained by lower prices.

Imports totalled £79,035,000, a rise of £4,000,000 on September, and a decline of £17,000,000 on October last year.

British exports at £42,560,000 are £2,750,000 higher than September, but £4,700,000 lower than October, 1937.



Fire starting in the Nouvelles Galeries, six-storey department store in Marseilles, France, caused 73 deaths when employees were trapped in the store, shown burning, above. Fire spread to the Hotel de Noailles and broke up the convention of Premier Edouard Daladier's radical Socialist party, as the Premier gave aid.

## "BRAVEST KID" DIED SMILING

A young flier who died 17 months after he had been injured in a crash was described by an R.A.F. doctor recently as "the bravest kid I have ever looked after."

He was Acting Pilot-Officer Geoffrey Kenneth Henry Maitland, 19-year-old son of Lieut-Colonel Arthur Edward Maitland, of Gable End, Petworth.

Young Maitland was injured at Sealand in May 1937, while up with a flying instructor.

Flight-Lieutenant John Stevens, of Sealand, told the coroner at the Uxbridge inquest how the tail of the plane struck a tree when they were landing.

"The plane landed the right way up," he added. "I told Maitland to get out. He was quite cheerful, but said I would have to help him. We found he could not use his legs."

"I would like to take the liberty of saying," said Wing-Commander Palmer-Jones, medical officer at Uxbridge, "that he was the bravest kid I have ever looked after."

His death was due to a fracture of the spine which caused general sepsis.

## EMPIRE NEWS

### AUSTRALIA'S TRADE WITH EAST

Melbourne. There has been a heavy fall in Australia's trade with the East, because of a decline of £3,058,000 in the value of produce sold to Japan in the year ended June 30.

The total unfavourable balance for the period was £7,493,000 compared with £1,958,000 for the corresponding period in 1936-7. Japanese wool purchases were valued at £4,042,000 compared with £7,514,000 in 1936-7.

Wool exports to China fell by £71,000 and wheat by £37,000. The unfavourable trade balance with China increased from £10,718 to £109,638.

More Traffic Signs.—A recent heavy increase in deaths and injuries due to traffic accidents is causing grave concern in Victoria. A bill has been passed by the State Parliament authorising increased expenditure on traffic signs on the roads.

Cable Trams to go.—The last remaining service of Melbourne's ancient cable-tram system is to disappear. The Tramways Board having decided to remove the trams from Bourke-street, the city's busiest shopping centre, and to experiment with crude oil buses. A fleet of 70 buses is to be bought at a cost of £240,000.

Native Bear Export Ban.—The Federal Government has refused the request of the Australian National Travel Association for permission to export the koala, or native bear, to the Golden Gate Exposition at San Francisco. The export of kangaroos and possums is to be allowed, but it is feared that the koala would not survive away from its natural surroundings.

## PEASANT UNREST IN SMALL STATES

Calcutta. Rulers of 12 petty States in eastern India are in conference in Calcutta to discuss the serious unrest culminating in the recent peasant revolt in Dhenkanal and other States. The peasants have drawn up a "charter of freedom," which includes the abolition of forced, unpaid labour, rights of cultivation and general release from the prevailing feudal system.

Demonstrators in Dhenkanal State revolt were fired on by police, and several wounded were admitted to hospital in Cuttack, capital of Orissa.

Federal Court's First Case.—The Federal Court of India, which came into existence a year ago, is hearing its first case, before Sir Maurice Gwyer, the Chief Justice. It is a reference from the Government of India, challenging the right of the Central Provinces Government to levy a tax of 5 per cent. on the retail sales of motor spirit and lubricants.

Testing Karachi's Defences.—Artillery and Royal Air Force units stationed at Karachi recently took part in operations there. The exercise, it is stated, will reveal the strength of Karachi's defence in the event of an air attack.

I.M.S. Captain Found Shot.—Capt. E. A. W. MacKeown, Indian Medical Service, and Mrs. J. A. McIver, stated to be the wife of an Army sergeant, were recently found shot dead in a room at a Lahore hotel.—Reuter.

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## Hold-Up at Ciro's Club

London. Two men, one of whom is said to have been armed with a revolver, recently held up the control office at the famous Ciro's Club in Orange Street, and escaped with £200. They were chased for nearly a mile by two members of the staff through crowded streets, but despite cries of "Police" and "Stop thief" no one interfered and the men got clean away.

## He Broadcast 'Crime Doesn't Pay'

—NOW HE'S IN GAOL AGAIN

Durham. The man who entertained radio listeners in January with graphic stories of crime and criminals, whose voice told millions that "Crime Doesn't Pay," walked smartly from the dock at Durham Assize Court recently to begin a sentence of six years' penal servitude.

Walter Richards, 33-year-old labourer, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, then assured listeners dramatically: "The law will get you in the end."

### ON STATION ROOF

He was silent when Mr. Justice Singleton reminded him that one of the offences of which he had been found guilty was the manslaughter of

his brother, Robert, killed when he and Walter were blowing open a safe at a Gateshead hotel.

A detective revealed that some years ago Richards lived for a time on the roof of Newcastle Central Station, from which he would climb at night and raid wagons and refreshment stalls.

He studied the signalling system from his lofty perch and was able to bring goods trains to a standstill.

"You may think there was something courageous in the way this man behaved after the explosion," said Mr. Morley, K.C., defending Richards.

"He knew he would be charged with serious offences, yet rather than leave any stone unturned to help his brother, he went immediately to a telephone and called the police."

Richards was also found guilty of causing an explosion, and he admitted breaking into the hotel, stealing £63 3s., being in possession of explosives, and conspiracy.

## Rash From Fur, £250

Mrs. Lillian Angus Welch (53), of Walbottle Hall, near Newcastle, was awarded £250 damages and £30 10s. medical expenses when she claimed at Newcastle Assizes recently that she contracted dermatitis from the fur tie of a coat.

The coat was supplied by Doreen Newcastle, Ltd., of Northumberland Street, Newcastle. Evidence was given that a skin rash was set up by an oxide in the fur.

Mr. J. Harvey Robson, defending, admitted that the condition was set up by the fur, but sought to prove that the fur had been supplied to Doreens by Morris Coats Ltd., of London, who were joined in the case as a third party.

## Guilty Wife Wins Her Child

Belfast.

A 25-year-old wife, who confessed that she had been unfaithful to her husband, recently won the right to the custody of her three-year-old daughter.

The wife, Mrs. Rebecca Lyness, of Hillsborough-road, Lisburn, succeeded in having her proceedings in the High Court here for the custody of her child Jessie.

The child was taken from her mother's home by her father, Mr. Joseph Lyness, a Southern Railway employee, of East-street, Farnham, Surrey, and put in the care of Mr. Lyness's parents.

Lord Chief Justice Andrews held that Mrs. Lyness's conduct had been condoned by her husband, and he awarded her the child.

"It is necessary to consider," he said, "whether this one lapse should be regarded as fatal to her for all time."

"The paramount consideration is the welfare of the infant, and not the punishment of a guilty spouse. The mother is the proper person to have the child to nurture and care for her."

Mrs. Lyness brought her daughter into court, kissed her good-bye, and Jessie was handed to her mother.

"The child immediately put her arms round her mother's neck and kissed her affectionately."

### "CONFESSED"

Mrs. Lyness said later: "That kiss was worth waiting for. I was waiting two long months. I have missed my daughter terribly."

In Mrs. Lyness's affidavit, read to the court, she said: "About January 1938 I was seduced by a man who then lived at Hillsborough-road, Lisburn. Immediately I was stricken with remorse and I confessed everything to my husband."

"He forgave me completely, and from February until July 1938 I lived happily with my husband in England."

Mr. Lyness, in his affidavit, denied that he had lived with his wife after her confession, and he added: "I broke down when I heard it. I was bewildered and I did not know what course to pursue."

## DEANNA DURBIN FANS!

Here's an opportunity to win a beautiful miniature Charlie McCarthy (Majestic) Radio. The rules are quite simple and the competition is open to everyone. The idea is, to send in your definition of "That Certain Age" with a limit of twenty words including the title. Each entry must be accompanied by the stub of an admission ticket purchased at either the Queen's or Alhambra during the engagement of THAT CERTAIN AGE. Each ticket stub entitles you to one entry in the competition. The smartest and snappiest definition wins the radio. Send your entries to General Amusements Ltd., Marina House, and their judgement is final. Entries close Dec. 14, 1938.

### Here are a few examples to give you the style:—

"That Certain Age" is when a girl starts letting down her dresses and picking up now ideas.

"That Certain Age" is when we start thinking "Mom" and "Pop" are old fashioned.

"That Certain Age" is when a girl starts thinking of a certain boy as "that certain boy."

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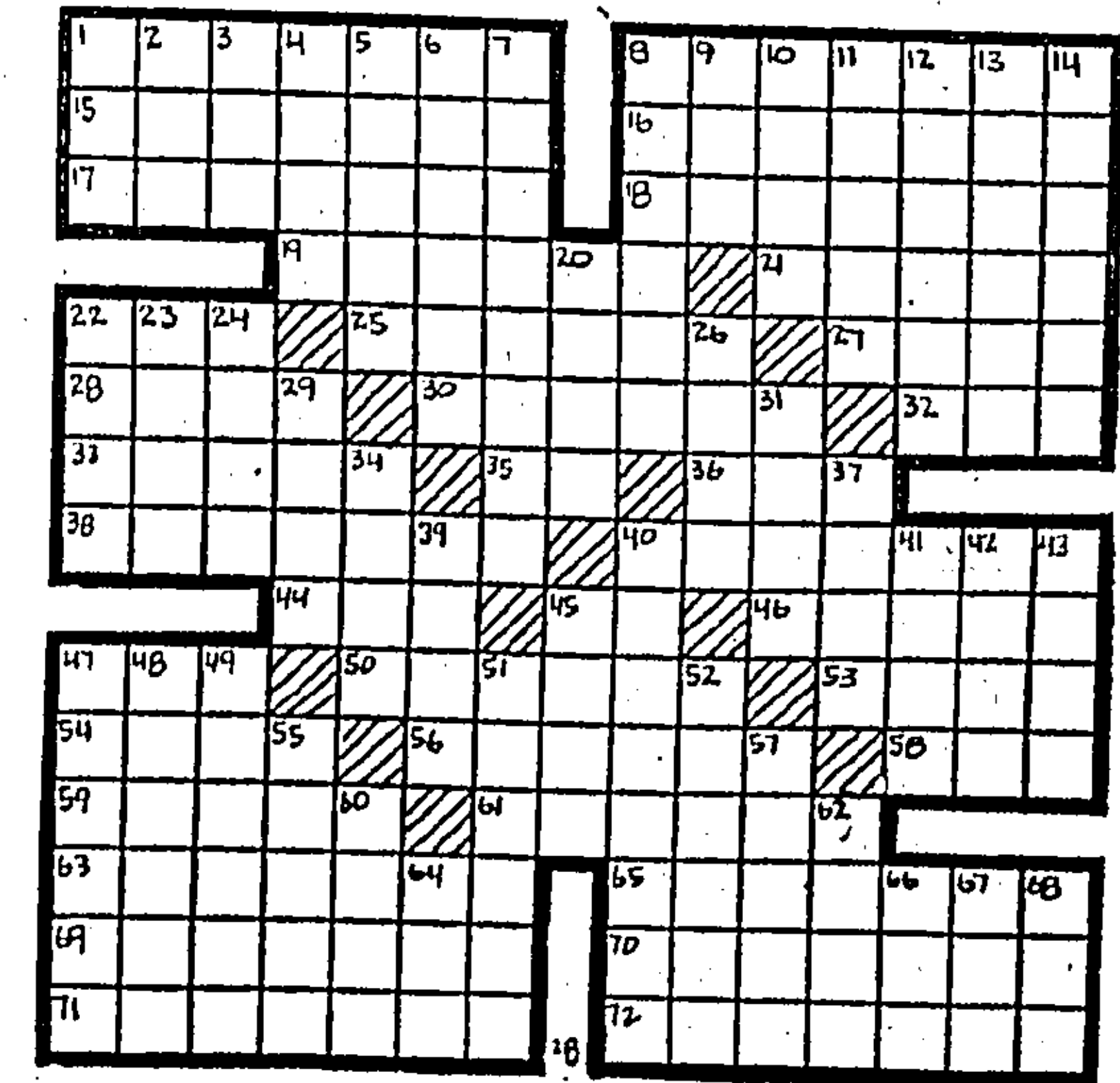
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With their children and grandchildren assembled to bless them, Fanny and Bill were married recently at the Register Office, Hove.

Afterwards the two families gathered at Bill's six-room cottage for wedding cake and port wine. Fanny has five daughters, two sons, seven grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren, but she buzzes about her new home as gaily as a bride of twenty.

## 'PARTED SOMEHOW'

Five weeks ago Fanny, who was Mrs. Grimes, widow, sat beside Bill, widower, in a Hove hotel. She thought she remembered his face. She asked his name.

It was a reunion of school-day sweethearts after sixty years. Be-

## MEGAN TAYLOR REFUSES £10,000

Megan Taylor, the 18-year-old Manchester girl who won the world amateur figure skating championship for women last year, denies that she thinks of turning professional.

"I am only just 18 and I want to remain an amateur," she said. "I had some film tests at Denham Studios, and I was offered a big contract to go to Hollywood, but I want to defend my world title and also to enter for the British championship at Wembley in December."

"I will also enter for the European title at Earl's Court in January."

"My big ambition is to win the 1940 Olympic title and I must remain amateur till then."

## Huge New Swimming Stadium

A £125,000 swimming stadium is to be built opposite the Prince's Theatre, on the site of the old Holborn baths, which are now being demolished.

When complete in the summer of 1940 it will contain two pools—the larger 165ft. by 4ft., the smaller 90ft. by 30ft.

Holborn Council, which is financing the new stadium, hopes to stage international competitions and galas in the larger pool, which will be known as the Swimstad.

The diving end of the pool will be 16ft. deep.

"The scheme may sound costly, but so many swimming clubs hold functions at the Holborn baths that we do not expect the new baths to take much money out of our rates," a council member said.

The larger pool will be fitted with underwater lighting.



Personal attention to the wounded in Chinese hospitals is part of the manifold duties accepted by Madame Chiang Kai-shek, wife of the Chinese Generalissimo. Here, right, she inspects surgical instruments received as a gift from Czechoslovakia.

## MOLLISON 'PHONES' 'I CAN'T GET MARRIED TO-DAY'

Edith Gee

Five minutes before Jim Mollison, airman ex-husband of Amy Johnson, was due to marry wealthy plantation owner Mrs. Phyllis Hussey, recently, he telephoned Caxton Hall register office, Westminster, postponing the wedding.

Friends of the couple who had gone to Caxton Hall were mystified by the sudden cancellation.

Mollison spent the afternoon in his flat in Berkeley-street, Mayfair, with the woman who should have been his bride.

### 'DOMESTIC REASONS'

Later Mollison said: "There is nothing unusual about the cancellation of my wedding plans."

"Phyllis and I found that for domestic reasons it was not convenient for us to marry to-day."

Asked when he was going to marry Mrs. Hussey, Mollison smiled and said: "Some time in the future." He would not give a date.

"We cannot understand why the cancellation of our wedding should cause such a fuss," he added.

"The reason is a purely private one, and there is no cause for any rumour or speculation in connection with the postponement."

### CROWD WAIT IN VAIN

Mr. Mollison's telephone message cancelling the wedding arrangements was received about two hours after he had made a definite appointment to be married at four o'clock.

It was impossible, he said, to get along, and the ceremony must be put off for a few days only.

A large crowd had gathered outside the register office. Some had been waiting since the office had opened at eight o'clock.

The chief registrar, Mr. Bond, said: "We do not know when the wedding will take place, but it has definitely been cancelled for to-day."

"Notice of the marriage was first given three weeks ago, when it was intended to take place by licence."

### WHIRLWIND COURTSHIP

Mrs. Hussey, former wife of Captain Hussey, owns plantations in the West Indies, and is one of America's wealthiest society women.

Mollison proposed to her after a whirlwind two-week courtship. His marriage in 1932 to Miss Amy Johnson was dissolved last August.

## Film Beauty Was Bored, Fell From 16th Floor

New York.

Just after dawn recently, beautiful film actress Dorothy Hale scribbled a note, "Will not need you to-day," to the maid who called every day at her sixteenth-floor suite in Hampshire House, fashionable New York hotel. A few seconds later Dorothy crashed to her death on the pavement 200 feet below.

Startled people who rushed to the huddled form noticed there was still a smile on the face; the black hair, in the latest fashion, was not disarranged.

With her black velvet evening gown she wore silver sandals with high heels; around her neck was a black ribbon from which hung a gold Florentine pendant.

The note to her maid is the only clue to the tragedy of the woman who had played opposite Ronald Colman in "Cynara," had been twice married, and, at thirty-three, was a talented painter and sculptor, an excellent linguist.

Her friends believe she was "utterly bored." The police record reads: "Fell or jumped—probably suicide."

Miss Hale, who some time ago was reported as engaged to Mr. Harry L. Hopkins, U.S. States Works Progress Administrator, was formerly Miss Dorothy Donovan, of Pittsburg.

Her first husband was Mr. T. Gallard Thomas, with whom she maintained a salon in Paris. A divorce followed, and she married

Mr. Gardner Hale, brilliant young American painter, who was killed in 1931 when his car plunged over a precipice in California.

After living in seclusion for some time Dorothy played in Broadway productions, and later went to Hollywood.

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Hongkong, 5th December, 1938.

### JAPANESE FORTIFY SHANGHAI

To Maintain by Force Closure of Yangtse

London, Dec. 5.

Powerful Japanese fortifications at Shanghai are described to-day by the Daily Herald in despatches, which it says were mailed from Shanghai, to Hongkong and then cabled in order to avoid the Japanese censorship.

The object of the fortifications, says the report, is to maintain control of the Yangtse and its tributaries.

Japan is preparing to maintain, by force if necessary, the present regulations closing the Yangtse, alleges the report.—United Press.

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## Chinese Dig In South Of Tungting Lake

Shanghai, Dec. 6.

Following repeated aerial bombings of the areas south and east of the Tungting Lake, the Japanese claim that the Chinese forces in this region, which previously had apparently intended an offensive movement, have now started to entrench themselves, especially in the vicinity of Pingking, which is geographically especially suited for defence.

The Japanese admitted that the Chinese forces have moved eastward from the regions south of Tungting Lake towards Pingking, strengthening the Chinese forces there.

From the South China theatre, it is reported that Japanese planes on two successive days bombed and damaged Chinese gunboats on the West River, hitting one gunboat each time.

In co-operation with the air force, Japanese troops have occupied the important city of Kowkong on the West River, 50 miles south-west of Canton, this marking the first Japanese offensive movement for some time.—Trans-Ocean.

### SUNDAY CRICKET

#### Civil Servants Draw With Royal Engineers

The Royal Engineers and the Civil Service C.C. met in a drawn game of cricket at Sookunpo on Sunday. The Engineers batted first and lost two wickets for two runs, before Major Baker and Sgt. Goodger stopped the rot. The former made a round 53, while Cpl. Denyer, in a whirlwind knock which lasted 15 minutes, knocked out 48, which included ten boundaries.

Opposed to L/Sgt. Land, who took 6 for 21, the Civil Servants had lost eight wickets for 70 when stumps were drawn. The scores were:

ROYAL ENGINEERS  
S/Sgt. Goodger, b. Buckle, 14  
L/Sgt. Land, White b. Colledge, 1  
S/Sgt. Daniels, c. Holledge b. Colledge, 0  
Major Baker, c. Colledge b. Colledge, 53  
Sgt. Battelle, c. Bostock b. Buckle, 6  
Sgt. Carpenter, b. Colledge, 6  
Sgt. Denyer, c. Holledge b. Buckle, 48  
Sgt. Bailey, not out, 23  
S. M. S. Warr, c. Buckle b. Ainslie, 0  
Sgt. Cork, not out, 3

Extras 3  
Total (for 8 wickets, dec.) 154  
Spr. Hawkins did not bat.  
Bowling Analysis

Buckle 12 2 18 2  
Colledge 4 4 20 1  
Ainslie 5 1 23 1  
Baxter 2 0 10 1

CIVIL SERVICE  
D. Holledge, b. Cork, 5  
G. Ainslie, c. Hawkins b. Land, 12  
L. White, b. W. Land, 17  
B. Buckle, c. Bailey b. Land, 1  
W. Colledge, b. W. Land, 12  
L. Ebbane, c. Cork, 12  
L. Weeks, b. Land, 1  
Baxter, not out, 0  
D. Bostock, not out, 0

Total (for 8 wickets) 76  
J. Cooke did not bat.  
Bowling Analysis

Goodger 6 4 8 2  
Cork 4 4 8 2  
Battelle 3 0 21 0  
Land 3 0 21 0

### Boy Lands Big Muskie

Toledo.

Eleven-year-old Charles Harrison caught and landed unaided a 42-inch, 16½ pound "muskie," while vacationing in Canada.

## Women's Yachting Competition

### Royal Naval Sailing Association Event Won By Miss Whitham

The Royal Naval Sailing Association held a Ladies' Race from Mr. G. H. Gundy's yacht, the Maskee, on Friday, December 2. The Maskee, dressed and decorated with flags lent by H.M.S. Rainbow, was anchored in the vicinity of H.M.S. Cornflower's moorings.

The results were as follows:

1. Lerryn (T80) (Miss White) 5.15.13  
2. Glyn (T40) (Mrs. Johnstone) 5.18.11  
3. Mary Ann II (T74) (Mrs. Bishaw) 5.23.23  
4. Daydream (T73) (Mrs. Bishaw) 5.23.40  
5. Dunlin (T80) (Mrs. Luce) 5.21.15  
6. Tiger (T71) (Mrs. Furse) 5.21.15  
7. Cornflower (T97) (Miss B. Richards) 5.21.19

Stour (T72) (Miss Sergeant) and Besom (T73) (Mrs. Kershaw) did not finish.

The course was from the Maskee, round No. 28 mooring buoy, Rumsey Shoal buoy, and back to the Maskee.

Mrs. Luce made a perfect start, and crossed the line one second after the gun, but unfortunately lost the wind inshore of Kellett Island, together with T87 and a few other dinghies. This let Mrs. Johnstone (T40) and Miss Whitham (T69) take the lead. Miss Whitham drew ahead on passing Kellett Island, and finished first.

All dinghies were secured astern of the Maskee after the race for tea and refreshments, following which the Maskee weighed anchor, and returned to Causeway Bay with all dinghies in tow.

Mrs. Gandy acted as hostess and presented the prizes. Among those present were Miss S. M. Hall, sister of the Branch Secretary and Chief of the E.Y.K.'s Glamorous sailors, and Miss Nathalie Boyd.

### WOMEN AT HELM

#### Civilians Beat Services In Yacht Race

Women's teams representing services and civilians took the helm in a competition held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday over 7.8 miles. Civilians won 60 points to 30. Results:

Civilians  
Artemis, Miss H. Crawhall Wilson, 13  
Jan. Mrs. Johnson, 18  
J. Mrs. Trenchard Davis, 10  
G. Mrs. Wadsworth, 9  
Kittiwake, Miss Corrigan, 11  
Jean, Miss Whitham, 6  
La Londe, Mrs. Maclellan, D.N.F.

Services  
Eve, Mrs. Galloway, 5  
2 Redneck, Mrs. Johnston, 2  
True Blue, Miss King, 12  
Kona, Mrs. Luce, 5  
Carpenter, Mrs. Mackintosh, D.N.F.  
Neroid II, Mrs. d'Arcy Evans, D.N.F.  
Isobel, Mrs. Morris, D.N.F.

Total 60  
Total 30

### Chipmunk Learns Fast

Glacier National Park, Mont.

A pet chipmunk, belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Howell, sole occupant of the lookout on Bare Mountain, lost its faith in civilization when it jumped on a hot stove for food. The chipmunk never had occasion to learn that stoves are hot. It learned so quickly, however, that its feet were burned only slightly.

## Experts With Ribbentrop On Paris Visit

Berlin, Dec. 5.

The Foreign Minister, Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, who leaves Berlin this evening for Paris, will, it is announced, be accompanied by a Foreign Office expert on international law, Dr. Gauss, as well as by the Director of the Economic Department of the Foreign Office, Dr. Wiedl, and head of the Press Department, Dr. Aschmann.

Other members of the suite will be Herr Abetz, who is a specialist on French affairs at the Foreign Office, and who is well known in French political circles for his work on the Franco-German Committee.—Trans-Ocean.

### SECRET TIME-TABLE

Paris, Dec. 5.  
Utmost efforts are being made to keep secret the time-table of Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, which will be observed here to-morrow with the object of avoiding hostile demonstrations.

Herr Ribbentrop, accompanied by Frau Ribbentrop, is due to arrive at 10 o'clock at the Gare du Nord, and their route to the hotel three minutes away will be through broad avenues. Officials say this is purely a matter of convenience, but some men in the street consider it is to facilitate the avoidance of incidents.

All that can be gathered in official circles is that a joint No-War declaration will firstly recognise as undeniable the frontiers of France and Germany, secondly to affirm goodwill, and thirdly to include an understanding by the two nations to consult each other in the event of differences, but subject to the condition that third parties may also be consulted.

The fact that Herr Ribbentrop's staff includes Dr. Gauss of the legal section of the Wilhelmstrasse leads to the belief that the talks will cover much larger ground than a mutual "No War" declaration. The suggestion that Herr von Ribbentrop will be asked as a condition for France's signature, for the disavowal by Germany of support for the claims of the Italian irredentism on the Continent, in the Mediterranean and in Africa, can be discounted.—Reuter.

### READY FOR VISIT

Paris, Dec. 5.

An important council of Ministers will be held to-morrow morning when questions arising from Herr Ribbentrop's visit will be discussed. The Government will also be informed of the Italian reply to the French protests regarding the Corsica and Tunis incidents.

Another meeting of the Cabinet will be necessary to discuss the parliamentary agenda and place electoral reform on it.—Reuter.

## WAR OFFICE APPOINTMENTS

London, Dec. 5.

The following appointments are announced by the War Office.

Lieut-General W. K. Venning to be Quartermaster-General of the Forces, Lieut-General W. D. S. Browning to be Director-General of the Territorial Army, Lieut-General R. H. Haining, the General Officer Commanding in Palestine, to be G.O.C.-in-Chief of the Western Command, Major-General M. G. H. Barker to be G.O.C. in Palestine and Trans-Jordan, with the rank of Lieut-General, and Major-General G. J. Giffard to be Military Secretary to the Secretary of War, with rank of Lieut-General.

The appointments of Lieut-General Haining and Major-General Barker are to date from August, 1939.—Reuter.

### DEMOCRAT NEWS-PAPERS BANNED

(Continued from Page 1.)

make it clear to Rome that Britain has no intention of sacrificing her friendship with France in order to purchase friendship with Italy, and Mr. Clement Attlee (Lab.) asked whether Mr. Chamberlain believed that it was a spontaneous demonstration taking place in Italy under the present conditions.

Mr. Chamberlain replied: "We have the assurances of the Italian Government, and of course we accept them."

Mr. Chamberlain replied "No" to the Opposition suggestion that the Premier's visit to Rome was made the occasion for inventing and fermenting "spurious grievances in order that redress might be demanded in the name of appeasement."—Reuter.

## RACKETEERS AWAIT JAIL

New York, Dec. 5.  
Sentences on Dixie Davis, George Weinberg and Harry Schoenhaus, who turned State Evidence at the first trial of the former Tammany leader, James Hines, have been postponed until February 27, 1939, in view of the second trial of Hines, which will start in the New Year.—Reuter.



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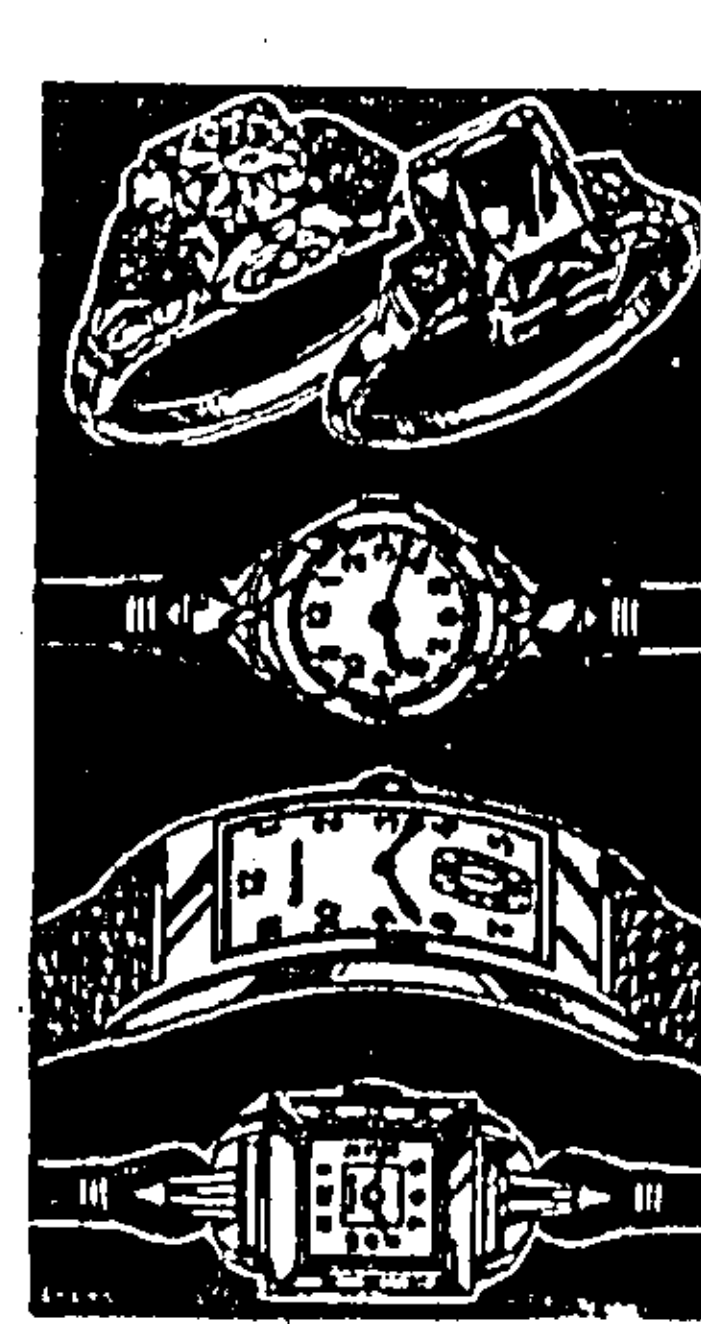
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Ordinary Mail .... 7 p.m. Dec. 5.  
This mail is expected to arrive at Vancouver or Victoria B.C. on December 23, 1938.

### CHRISTMAS LETTER MAIL FOR SOUTH AFRICA

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The last Christmas Letter Mail (15 cents per half-ounce) for South Africa by the "Imperial Airways Plane" will be closed as follows:

Registered Mail .... 5 p.m. Dec. 12.  
Ordinary Mail .... 7 p.m. Dec. 12.  
This mail is expected to arrive at Durban on December 21, 1938.

### CHRISTMAS LETTER MAIL FOR GREAT BRITAIN AND AUSTRALIA

(By Imperial Airways Service)  
The last Christmas Letter Mail (15 cents per half-ounce) for Great Britain and Australia by the "Imperial Airways Plane" will be closed as follows:

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Ordinary Mail .... 7 p.m. Dec. 15.  
This mail is due to arrive at London on December 22, and Sydney on December 24, 1938.

### VIA SIBERIA ROUTE

Letters and Postcards for Europe (except Great Britain and Elro) and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

### MAIL LETTERS

Ordinary letter mail only for West Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Szechwan, Kweichow and Hunan will be accepted at senders' risk.

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Ordinary mail (not Registered, Insured or Parcel) will be accepted for Canton and despatched as circumstances permit.

### OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

From	Per	Due
Straits	Antiochus	December 6.
Australia and Manila	Change	December 6.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hoihow	Kingyuan	December 6.
Amoy	Van Heutsz	December 6.
Manila	Emp. of Canada	December 7.
Tientsin and Swatow	Hoihow	December 7.
Haiphong	Laos	December 7.
Shanghai and Swatow	Suliyang	December 7.
Parcels from Calcutta and Straits	Talma	December 7.
Japan and Shanghai	Arumis	December 8.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Papers etc.) London date, 10th November and London parcels—London date, 3rd November.	Chitral	December 8.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 1st December	Imperial Airways Plane	December 8.
Salgon	Marchal Joffre	December 8.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 18th November)	Pres. Coolidge	December 8.
Shanghai and Swatow	Yochow	December 8.
Straits	Aeneas	December 8.
Japan and Shanghai	M/V Canton	December 9.
Java	Tjibadak	December 9.
Shanghai	Tokushima Maru	December 9.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 4th December.	Imperial Airways Plane	December 10.
Bangkok and Hoihow	Kwelyang	December 10.
Japan	Montevideo Maru	December 11.
Java and Manila	Plyngara	December 12.
Japan and Shanghai	Hector	December 13.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 7th December.	Pan-American Airways Plane	December 14.

### OUTWARD MAILS

For Per Date and Time.

Tuesday  
Hoihow and Pakhoi Klungchow Tues, Dec. 6, Noon.  
Fort Bayard and Haiphong Jean Dupuis Tues, Dec. 6, 2 p.m.  
Swatow and Fochow Seistan Tues, Dec. 6, 3 p.m.  
Salgon and (Papers only for Neptuna) Tues, Dec. 6, 5 p.m.  
Madang and Salamaua) K.F.O.  
(Papers and Parcels for Rabaul) Reg. .... Dec. 6, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 6, 5.30 p.m.  
G.F.O.

Wednesday  
Haiphong Norviken Wed, Dec. 7, 10 a.m.  
Swatow and Tientsin Fochow Wed, Dec. 7, 10.30 a.m.  
Anshan Wed, Dec. 7, 1.30 p.m.  
Amoy Tainan Wed, Dec. 7, 3.30 p.m.  
Parcels only for Singapore Van Heutsz Wed, Dec. 7, 5 p.m.

Thursday  
Shanghai and Japan Marchal Joffre Thurs, Dec. 8, 1.30 p.m.  
Salgon Aramis Thurs, Dec. 8, 3.30 p.m.  
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 15th December Thurs, Dec. 8.

Reg. .... Dec. 8, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 8, 5.30 p.m.  
G.F.O.  
Reg. .... Dec. 8, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 8, 5 p.m.  
Imperial Airways Plane Thurs, Dec. 8.

Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 17th December Thurs, Dec. 8.

Reg. .... Dec. 8, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 8, 5.30 p.m.  
G.F.O.  
Reg. .... Dec. 8, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 8, 5 p.m.  
Imperial Airways Plane Thurs, Dec. 8.

Manila President Coolidge Thurs, Dec. 8.

Reg. .... Dec. 8, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 8, 5.30 p.m.  
G.F.O.  
Reg. .... Dec. 8, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 8, 5 p.m.  
Imperial Airways Plane Thurs, Dec. 8.

Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America via Vancouver B.C., and (Parcels and Papers only for Canada)—due Vancouver B.C., 28th December Thurs, Dec. 8.

Reg. .... Dec. 8, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 8, 5.30 p.m.  
G.F.O.  
Reg. .... Dec. 8, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Dec. 8, 5 p.m.  
Imperial Airways Plane Thurs, Dec. 8.

Friday  
Swatow Kingyuan Fri, Dec. 9, 8.30 a.m.  
Sandakan Mousang Fri, Dec. 9, 8.30 a.m.

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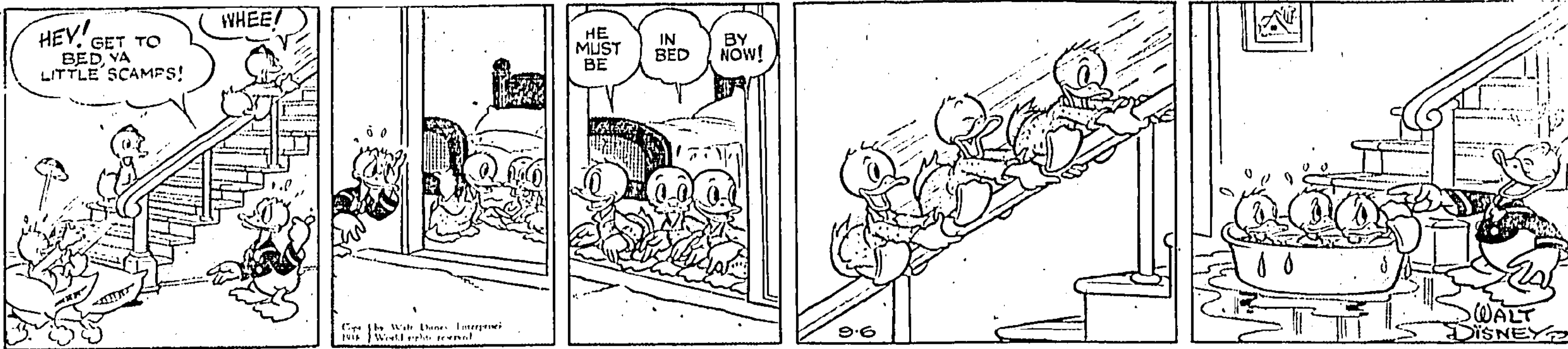
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## HUMANITARIAN WORK

## Report Of Society For The Protection Of Children

The report of the Society for the Protection of Children, which will be presented at the annual meeting to be held in the Helena May Institute on Tuesday next at 5.30 p.m., states that although there was a deficit of \$284, the past year has been less disastrous financially than had at one time been expected.

The Society, however, still lives from hand to mouth, and has no general reserve for unforeseen circumstances. During the year under review, 2,015 new cases were investigated and dealt with, and the average monthly income of families under relief was \$1.57 per head.

Part of the report is as follows: During the year under review the Society has investigated and dealt with 2,015 new cases. The question has been asked why each year figures are quoted of "new" cases and not total numbers of cases. It is as well to point out that one case often entails many visits to the centres, treatment being continued as long as there is need of it or till the family is able to fend for itself. So, if the total number of cases treated each day were added together, it would involve most cases being reckoned several times. Each case has its number and, no matter how many names appear on its dossier of how often the children attend at the centres concerned, it is reckoned as one case.

But during the year 53,303 visits were paid to the centres by parents or other persons concerned with the cases and inspectors paid 4,240 visits to homes. The Society's cases are brought to its notice each year from hospitals, dispensaries, clinics, Welfare Centres, by Police and Magistrates, through the Women's Auxiliary and (in great majority) directly by parents, friends and the general public. This year 365 came from Kowloon North, 298 from Kowloon South, 405 from Hongkong West and 397 from Hongkong East.

The Case Reports submitted each month through the Branch Secretaries to the Executive Committee show the number of cases carried over from the previous month and the number of new cases in each centre. The number of visits made by applicants for assistance is recorded and also the number of visits paid by inspectors to homes. The causes

of report, among which poverty with or without disease predominates, are shown in the monthly statements as well as the family accommodation (in most cases a bed space) and the action taken by the Society. A record is kept of family incomes calculated per head of persons in family.

Apart from the immediate value to the Executive Committee these figures disclose useful sociological information about the living conditions of the very poorest people. The average monthly income of families under relief was \$1.57 per head. The lowest in any one month was \$0.88 at the Eastern Centre.

The following table shows comparison with previous years—1932 \$2.93, 1933 2.49, 1934 2.05, 1935 2.01, 1936 1.73, 1937 1.80, 1938 1.57.

## Acknowledgments

During the year the Society has maintained children at the Aberdeen and St. Louis Industrial Schools, Deep Yum School, Victoria Home, St. Joseph's College, St. John's Ambulance Hospital at Cheung Chau, Precious Blood Convent, Canadian Institute, Street Boys Club, School for Deaf, Tai Po Rural Orphanage and the Canton Ming Sun School for the Blind, and to the authorities of these institutions it wishes to express its grateful thanks for their co-operation.

In most of the cases mentioned the Society has been accorded the privilege of reduced rates, and in all cases the cost to the Society only just provides, when it does so provide, for the bare maintenance of the children. Our expression of

thanks, therefore, would be incomplete if we did not record our sense that, though money is provided from the Society's funds, the daily care, thought and responsibility for the children's welfare is borne by those into whose hands we have committed them.

The Society does not itself undertake the management of any establishment nor does it at present contemplate doing so. But it is happy to find, in such institutions as those mentioned above, niches in which to place those cases which appear to the Executive Committee to call for particular treatment.

On account of these maintained children the Society has during the year expended a sum of \$2,372.00 under the sub-heads given in the Hon. Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Expenditure. From time to time these liabilities expire and new ones are approved by the Executive Committee. These payments differ from the other items of the Society's expenditure inasmuch as they are made in respect of liabilities contracted to run for a number of years.

In 1935, when, largely owing to the diversion of many donations to the Peel Fund, the Society's revenue was short of its expenditure by \$7,078, the Finance Committee recommended that no more children should be sent to institutions. Of this proposal the Executive Committee did not approve. But the long term liabilities contracted by the Society with the institutions referred to in a previous paragraph should not be dependent on the fluctuating revenue from general donations. Any serious falling off in income could be met by curtailing routine work, though happily no such necessity is anticipated.

## From Hand to Mouth

As the Society lives from hand to mouth and has no general reserve for unforeseen contingencies, the Peel Fund should be earmarked for maintenance undertakings in case at some future date these cannot, as they are now, be paid from ordinary income. In the meanwhile the interest on the fund provides approximately the cost of half a month's working.

The Society is again indebted to ex-Inspector Fallon of the Roman Home for his able and sympathetic co-operation. The Press we record our grateful thanks. Naturally, in our yearly Report, we do not thank members of the Society, but with this testimony to the Hongkong press generally we couple the names of the South China Morning Post and the Hongkong Telegraph.

Miss Anderson, Inspector of the Eastern District, resigned in March and was replaced by Miss Lau Sui Sheung (Mrs. Luk). The departure from the Colony of Mrs. Hicks, who had been the devoted Hon. Secretary of the Women's Auxiliary, was a great loss to the Society. The Executive Committee also regrets the loss of Dr. G. R. Nash. She had always generously placed her experience at the disposal of the Committee and her services at the start of the Creche were invaluable.

Reference was made in last year's Report to the difficulty experienced by the Society in dealing with two blind boys who had come within its care. They were then being maintained by the Society at the Haw Par Hospital at Cheung Chau through the kindness of Mr. A. Morris, Director of Ambulance, to whom the Society has been greatly indebted, but have now been transferred to the Ming Sun School for the Blind at Canton where they are being maintained at the Society's expense.

The hope that the Alexian Brothers, who specialise in the training of the blind, would be able to take over the training at Cheung Chau, left for the purpose by Mrs. Barker, has unfortunately not been realised. The Right Rev. Bishop Valtorta, who had kindly endeavoured to enlist their help, informed the Society that they were unable to come to Hongkong but that the Canadian Sisters hoped very soon to start home for crippled and blind children but would be unable to keep boys over twelve years of age.

## Hawkers' Licences

During the year 51 licences for hawkers were issued at the Society's request. In this regard the Society has to thank the Chairman of the Urban Council, Mr. R. R. Todd for his sympathetic co-operation.

The Lien Yuet Sien Creche, which is the generous gift of Mr. Li Pao-chun, has now been in operation for half the period of its original donation and results warrant the hope for its continued existence. The economic soundness of a creche as a means of combatting poverty, apart from the benefit to the infants, lies in the opportunity afforded to parents to support themselves by earning a daily wage.

The Women's Auxiliary, whose Chairman, Hon. Secretary, and Hon. Treasurers, together with some other members sit on the Executive Committee, was originally formed at the suggestion of Lady Southern with the object of raising funds and has in

the past year found \$7,187 or 25½ per cent. of the Society's total income.

At the February meeting of the Executive Committee His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor commended the useful work that has been done by the Women's Auxiliary and invited members to confer with him as to the possibilities of increased participation of women in public work.

One of the immediate results of this suggestion is the daily attendance of individual members at the Juvenile Courts in Hongkong and Kowloon where, in consultation with the Magistrates, it has been found possible to pass on to the Society's inspectors, cases which appear to warrant investigation and, if possible, assistance from us. Since the Women's Auxiliary accepted this responsibility, 76 cases have been referred to our centres and help, such as the obtaining of a hawker's licence for parents of a child found hawking illegally, food for families found destitute has been given and in some cases children brought before the Magistrate have been placed by the Society in homes and orphanages.

## Visits to Centres

In addition to visiting from time to time the Society's centres and interesting themselves in such domestic details as the securing of old clothes and shoes, linen suitable for bandages, etc., at the Creche, empty medicine bottles and discarded feeding bottles; members of the Auxiliary now pay regular monthly visits to homes and institutions at which the Society maintains children. It is hoped thereby to bring the Society into direct touch with its young dependants and also, to let the children know that behind the scenes there are actual people interested in their welfare.

Through the summer, in preparation for the colder months ahead, all members of the Women's Auxiliary have been knitting in their own homes woollen coats for needy children attending the Society's centres. It was with great regret that the Society heard of the resignation, due to her impending departure from the Colony, of Mrs. Middleton-Smith, who for the last three years has been Chairman of the Women's Auxiliary. Her valuable services will be greatly missed. We are glad to be able to report that Mrs. N. L. Smith has kindly consented to fill the vacancy.

The Committee also received with regret, the resignation of Mrs. V. C. Branson, the Auxiliary's energetic and efficient Treasurer. She has been succeeded by Mrs. Pearson Grant. The resignation of Mrs. Helberg, another enthusiastic member, has also been a great loss to the Auxiliary during the year. By generously contributing to the Society's funds and thereby becoming a Life Member, Mrs. Helberg has, however, assured us of her continued interest.

Between 1932 and 1935, inclusive of both years, the difference between expenditure and income amounted to \$2,005 on the (financially) wrong side. In 1936 the year finished with a deficit of \$1,558, and in the year under review, with a deficit of \$284, the addition of even one new centre has been out of the question. It should be added here that a deficit does not mean that the Society has anything of the luxurious nature of an overdraft or owes anybody anything. It means that the funds, with which the Society started, contributed in the first instance by a Chinese gentleman and by the public, in days when the poor people because of fear and distrust would not seek our help, are being gradually exhausted.

The Society will endeavour to raise such additional funds as will justify the opening of two new centres. The Statement of Receipts can be summarised as under:

Subscriptions & Donations General	\$2,070.37
Subscriptions & Donations Special	3,040.00
Gifts from the Women's Auxiliary	7,187.17
Government Grant	5,000.00
Creche Donation	1,200.00
Interest on Investments	1,013.52
<b>Total</b>	<b>21,121.45</b>

The Society finished this year with a deficit of \$284, but, though annual loss cannot be borne indefinitely, the year 1937-38 has been less disastrous to its finance than had at one time been expected.

## HONGKONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

The Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children will take place in the Helena May Institute, on Tuesday, December 13, at 5.15 p.m.

Anna Crozier,  
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## 6.0 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

(a) How'd Ja like to love me; (b) Music Maestro please; (c) Solitude; (d) Sweethearts forever.

6.14 Record: Sedibal—One-Stop Arabic; Bell Ringer—Fox-Trot Maurice Alexander (Accordeon) with Orchestra.

6.21 (a) I could use a dream; (b) A-ticket a-ticket; (c) Basin Street Blues; (d) East Side Kick.

6.35 Records: Song Of Songs (Maya); Ah! Sweet Mystery Of Life (Herbert); George Scott-Wood (Piano-Accordeon) with vocal refrain. Banjo Favourites. Raymonde and His Band O' Banjos.

6.44 (a) Blue Hawaii; (b) Flat Foot Floogie; (c) My Campfire dream; (d) Twilight in Turkey.

7.0 Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Gracie Fields, Clapham and Dwyer, Frank Crumit, Elizabeth Welch and Harry Roy & His Orch.

Dance Orch.—Chariot Marmalade Quickstep—Harry Roy & His Orchestra. Vocal—The Desert Song (Hammerstein) ... Gracie Fields with Orchestra. Dance Orch.—Mama, I Wanna Make Rhythm—Quickstep (Film—Manhattan Music Box) O.O.O.O.O.—Oh, Boom!—Quickstep

Harry Roy & His Orchestra with vocal refrain. Vocal—C'est Le Debut D'une Aventure (Mireille); Quand On A Mal Aux Dents (Mireille) ... Pills et Tabet with Piano accom. Humorous Sketch—A Spot Of Fishing (Clapham and Dwyer) ... Clapham and Dwyer. Dance Orch.—Say "Si, Si"

—Rumba; It's The Natural Thing To Do—Fox-Trot (film—Double or Nothing); Harry Roy & His Orchestra. Dance Orch.—When It's Thursday Night In Egypt—Comedy Fox-Trot; Algenon, Wifflesnoop, John & His Orchestra. Comedienne—Far Away In Shanty Town (from "Glamorous Night"—Novello); The Girl I Knew (from "Glamorous Night"—Novello) ... Elisabeth Welch accom. by the Drury Lane Theatre Orch.

Comedians—Whoops We Go Again (Harvey) ... Al and Bob Harvey with Orch.; Vocal—Ring Down The Curtain (Miller-Ilda)

Gracie Fields with Orchestra; Dance Orch.—Six-Eight Medley ... Harry Roy and His Orchestra; Vocal—Taught Me How To Play The Second Fiddle (Moder and Dahl); ... Frank Crumit (Tenor) with Orch.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Rossini—La Boutique Fantasque.

Played by London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Eugene Coossens.

8.30 London Relay—"Steamboat." A programme of variety, music, and drama from our floating play-house, reviving for you some of the glories of the old showboat days. The cast will include Dick Francis as The Showman Lorna Stuart; Brian Lawrence; Jack Train; The Three In Harmony; and Walsh and Barker; The Orchestra (led by Josef Marais); Conducted by Jack Clarke; The programme devised by William Thomas and presented by William MacLure.

9.15 London Relay—"As I See It." by David Low.

9.30 London Relay—"The News." 9.50 Eric Coates Compositions. O Song Remembered... John McCormack (Tenor) with Piano accom. by Edwin Schneider; Four Ways Suite; 1. Northwards (March); 2. Southwards (Valse); 3. Eastwards (Eastern Dance); 4. Westwards (Rhythm)... New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Joseph Lewis.

10.10 London Relay—Oxford v. Cambridge. A commentary on the Inter-University Rugby Union Football Match from Twickenham; (By courtesy of the Rugby Football Union).

11.45 Close down.

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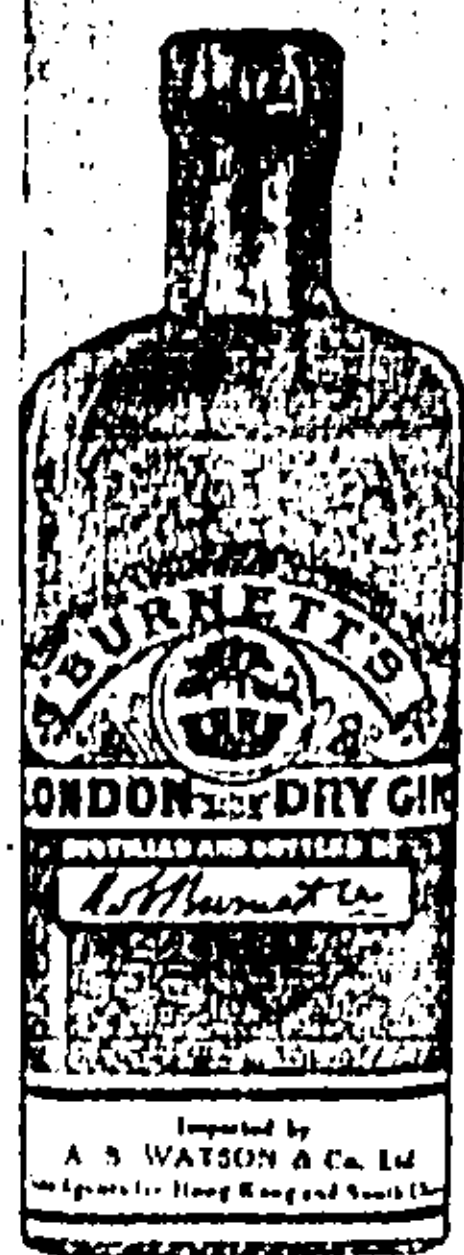
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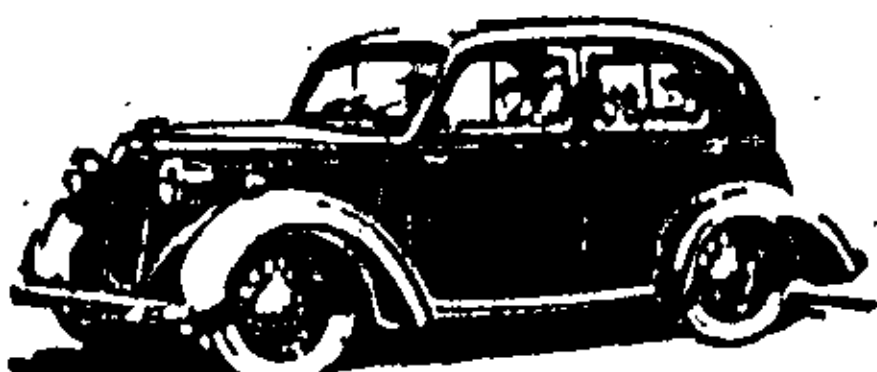
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A New World

THE REPORT late last night that the United States contemplates embarking upon a colossal \$640,000,000 naval building programme which will give her an entirely new fleet to protect the Atlantic gives emphasis to rumours that the policy of President Roosevelt and the U.S. Congress is changing from one of static defence to dynamic defence.

With Munich a new world was born. In that Caesarian operation a huge chunk of world power changed hands. It passed from the democratic bloc led by Britain to the authoritarian bloc led by Germany. This epochal shift of power has suddenly left the United States standing alone and unprotected in the world game of power politics. In a word, Britain has been regarded too much in the past as America's first line of defence.

That fundamental transfer of some of the power from London and Paris to Berlin necessitates internal changes in U.S. affairs which will be so important as to make its present political issues and the partisan bickering over New Deal measures seem like trivial nursery babble. For world events that are far more powerful than President Roosevelt or any individual are now about to tell democracy what it shall have to do.

Germany has taught democracy that static defence is inadequate.

This point, the importance of a dynamic preparedness machine as against a static collection of military and naval inventories, is the key to what is now being proposed in U.S. naval circles.

What Did They Say?

WHAT did Lord Shaftesbury say in 1848?

"Nothing can save the British Empire from shipwreck."

What did Disraeli say in 1849?

"In industry, commerce and agriculture there is no hope."

What did the dying Duke of Wellington say in 1852?

"I thank God I shall be spared from seeing the consummation of ruin that is gathering about us."

What did Lloyd George say last month?

"Are we going, can we go, any lower?"

But what does Sir William Crawford say?

He says, "Have faith in

# THE MOST BAFFLING MYSTERY OF THE SEA

Sixty-six years ago to-day the Mary Celeste was found.

Not a single fact has come to light since the Mary Celeste was found, on the afternoon of December 5, 1872, which would account for the mystery that, although in perfectly seaworthy condition, she was crewless, and was ploughing an erratic course on her own towards Europe.

She was midway between the Azores and Cape Roca on the coast of Portugal, when boarded by the Nova Scotia brig Dei Gratia.

In the intervening years, however, so many fictitious "explanations" have been produced by writers who have not even troubled to acquaint themselves with the known facts, that those facts have now become hopelessly obscured for the average reader.

To no less a person than the late Conan Doyle must we impute the main responsibility for starting the "mythology" about the Mary Celeste.

He based a gruesome story on what we must assume to have been his imperfect knowledge of the details and published it in January 1884 under the title, "J. Habakuk Jephson's Statement."

### Pitfall

It was only some time later that the distinguished authorship of this "explanation" was discovered. It served at once to put the Mary Celeste on the pinnacle of mystery from which it has never fallen and to broadcast those false premises which have been the pitfall of every subsequent initiator.

For among several errors of fact, Conan Doyle made one cardinal blunder. He presumed that the boats of the Mary Celeste were found hanging in their davits, which would certainly have added the additional point to the mystery of how the crew got away from the ship.

EVERY other "explanation" of note has followed this mistake, but unfortunately for their authors, the facts are otherwise.

The ship's long boat was smashed while she was loading her cargo in New York and the smaller—a yawl—was missing when the ship was found derelict.

The fall ropes, trailing astern in the water, indicated beyond shadow of doubt that the crew had attempted to, or did, get away in the yawl before being overtaken by the disaster which wiped them out.

If this all-important fact is borne in mind the reader will at once be able to appreciate the voluminous literature on the Mary Celeste in its true perspective.

### Even The Name

It has even reached the proportions of a book entitled "The Great Mary Celeste Hoax: A Famous Sea Mystery Exposed," in which its author, Mr. Lawrence Keating, not only seeks to dispel much of the fiction which has been written on the subject, but much of the fact which is beyond dispute.

Indeed, one need go no further than the name of the ship to see how the fashion for distortion inaugurated by Habakuk Jephson has persisted.

He, I believe, was the first to call it the Marie Celeste, but Britain."

He says, "A hundred times able men have cried, 'This is the end of Britain.' And Britain has gone on and on—to ever greater strength."

Be confident, then. Pay no heed to the prophets of evil.

Go about your business, seek your pleasures, in the assurance that the strength of Britain is as a rock and that its resilience has triumphantly survived days far darker than those passed through recently.

THE indisputable facts are these: the Mary Celeste was a brigantine of 282 tons, 98ft. long, with a 25ft. beam and a draught slightly over 11ft.

Her principal owner was Captain J. H. Winchester of the

By  
**W.F. Hartin**

firm of J. H. Winchester and Co., New York, but her captain, Benjamin S. Briggs, was a third owner of the ship and had an interest in the cargo of alcohol which she carried on her fatal voyage.

She loaded in New York for Genoa, where the cargo, contained in 1,700, casks, was consigned to a wine merchant.

### Last Voyage

On November 9, 1872, she sailed down the Hudson River and carried away on their last voyage Captain Briggs, his wife, and their little daughter Sophie, aged two, a mate, second mate, cook, and four hands.

All four of the last named were Germans or Americans of German extraction. The *Maritime Register* for December 18, 1872, gives the names of all the ship's company, but mentions none of that fantastic company, who claim to have survived the disaster and be able to explain it.

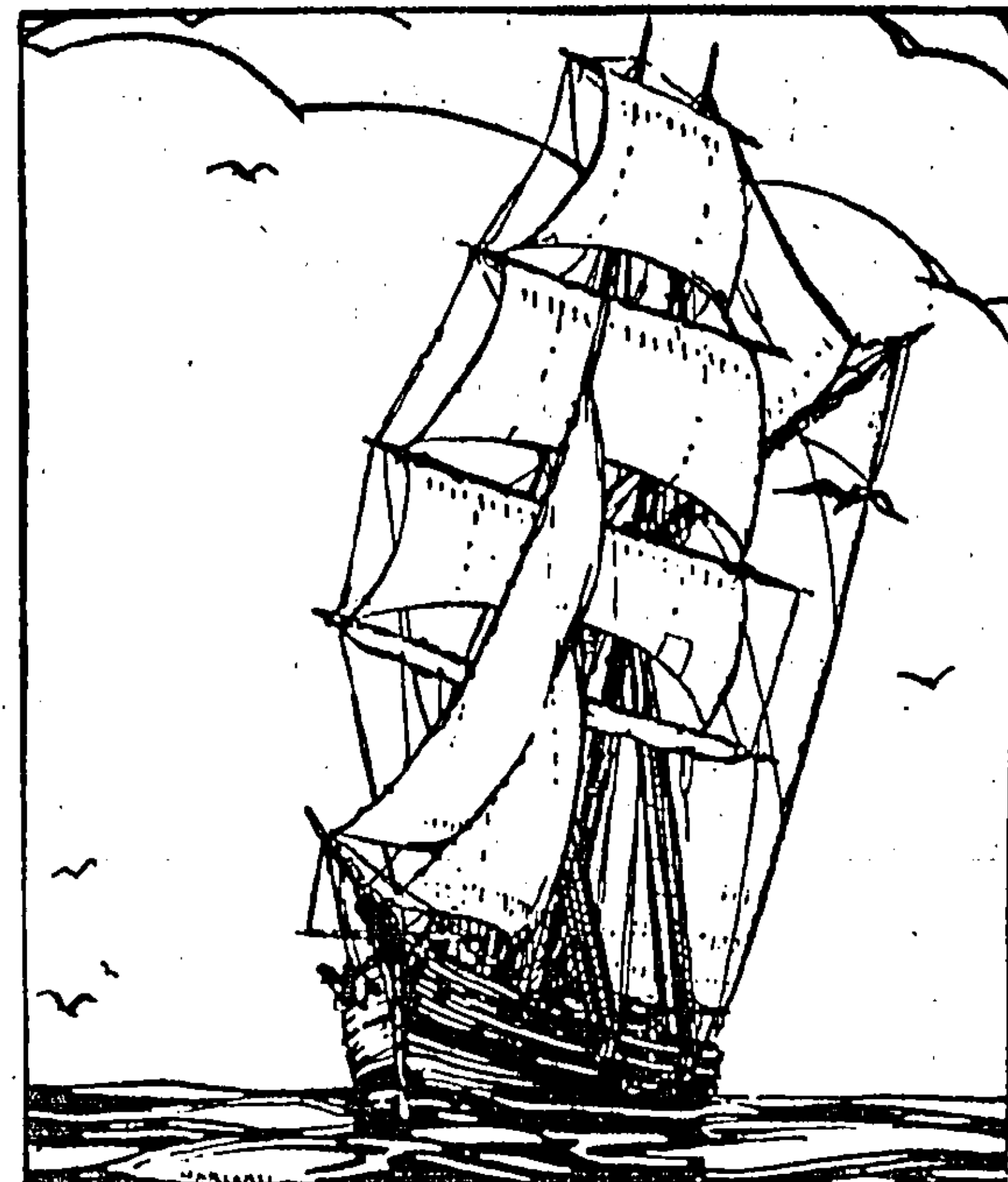
Still less, might I add, for Mr. Habakuk Jephson's benefit, were there any passengers or coloured men on board.

CAPTAIN BRIGGS, a man of religious and upright character, had a friend, a Captain Morehouse, who was due to sail for Europe a little later in the brig Dei Gratia, and they had fixed a tentative rendezvous in Barcelona, where they would be calling for cargoes of fruit on their return voyages.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"All my life I've dreamed about this moment—when my name changes from Schnitzenswurstlich to Smith!"



## THE MARY CELESTE

Captain Morehouse, in the Dei Gratia, cleared New York on November 11—that is, two days after the Mary Celeste.

After an uneventful voyage, without any of the storms that figure so prominently in all the "explanations," he found himself half-way between the Azores and Cape Roca on December 5.

### Erratic

That afternoon his attention was drawn by the erratic behaviour of a two-masted ship, which he had overhauled. She was not on a steady course, for she yawed from time to time with the changes of a light northerly breeze and ran off before the wind.

On closer approach, he saw that, while she was on the port tack, her jibs were set on the starboard tack.

His alarm increased with the realisation that this was the Mary Celeste, for it was no sort of seamanship to be displayed by his old friend, Captain Briggs.

He signalled, but got no answer. Glasses trained on the ship could detect no sign of life as the Dei Gratia came within hailing distance, even the shouts of her crew drew no response. "That something seriously was amiss, was only too obvious, but what?"

I DO not think any of us would have relished the job of Oliver Deveau, the first mate of the Dei Gratia and the two men who were ordered off by Captain Morehouse to board the Mary Celeste.

### Derelict

"Murder, plague, or what, could account for this uncanny silence?" they must have asked themselves again and again as they tossed in their little boat towards the derelict.

Deveau cautiously kept one of the men in the boat while he and the other hoisted themselves aboard by chain plates.

Their superficial examination above deck told them nothing except that there appeared to be no one on board, so Deveau signalled Captain Morehouse to join him.

Not a soul could be found on the ship, nor any reason for abandoning her, as she must have been abandoned, in her own small boat.

The forecabin presented the usual appearance, clothes and personal odds and ends lying about much as they might be left by their owners normally.

In the captain's cabin, Mrs. Briggs's sewing machine held a piece of cloth that might one day have been a child's pinafore.

An oil-can, a thimble and a reel of cotton remained on the nearby table, just as she might have placed them while sitting at her machine.

The harmonium shipped for this voyage had the cover of the key-board back and a piece of music in the rack.

### A Letter

Some reports say that a half-empty bottle of medicine and a partly eaten breakfast were on the table, but there is no unimpeachable evidence for this.

A member of the crew had started a letter, "Fanny, my dear wife," and had got no further with it.

The beds were made up, all except Sophie's, and that looked as if she had been sleeping there when removed.

Captain Briggs's watch was still hanging on an accustomed hook; the ship's log remained where it was normally kept.

THE only things that appeared to have gone with the crew were a chronometer, the ship's papers, and probably some tinned food, for one of the drawers of the store-room had been emptied and left open.

A cutlass showing what looked like bloodstains caused some commotion at the time, but it need not bother us, since the stains were subsequently found to be rust.

### Spots Of Blood

The same applies to some spots of blood found on the deck. If they really were blood, no one has ever suggested that they were more than could come from some quite superficial wound, such as a member of the crew might sustain in the ordinary working of the ship.

Indeed, apart from the entries in the log and on a slate, the only discoveries material to a theory of the mystery, were that the cover of the main hatch was off and, although the cargo was perfectly stowed, one cask appeared to have broken open or been broached.

The Mary Celeste was of course taken by Captain Morehouse, as salvage, to Gibraltar. There she created a nine-days' wonder, but at the time people confidently believed that news of the captain and crew, rescued by a vessel bound for a distant port, would eventually solve the mystery.

But no news has ever come—only a spate of ill-disguised fiction which has added confusion to facts already sufficiently astounding.







# ANOTHER FINE INNINGS BY LT. MANNERS AGAINST CLUB NAVY BEATEN IN TRYING TO FORCE A VICTORY

(By "R. Abbi")

Owing to circumstances over which I had no control I was unable to see the whole of the Navy and Club Match at King's Park on Saturday last. I missed a very excellent 63 scored by G. P. Longfield for the Club. It was a hard hit innings and I am told he did not give any noticeable chances. Haynes got over 30 and I am told that Alec Pearce was very unlucky to be given l.b.w. as the ball would almost certainly have gone over the wicket; however, the Umpire didn't think so and it is all in the game!

When the Navy started in to try and get 150 runs, they had not a very good chance of the Navy winning, and Kennedy appeared well set, I thought they would do it. Manners practically controlled the scoring, though I cannot say I thought he was batting as well as he had done previously on a grass wicket. However, it was a question of getting runs against time, and the Club bowling never became really bad. Actually up to the time when Manners was out, having scored 84 out of 115, if my memory serves me, there seemed a very good chance of the Navy winning, and even then the last Navy batsman refused to be dismissed and all went for the runs.

I must say I congratulate the Navy Cricketers on this. They could perfectly well have drawn the match, even after Manners had gone, if they had liked to sit on the spot, but they went for the runs and Taylor readily agreed to an extra five minutes when time for drawing had come at 5.45 p.m. Actually light had been dreadful all through the Navy innings, as the wind seemed to have got a bit south of east and our friends, the Green Island Cement Company, were making it difficult at times for spectators even to see the wicket.

By the way, there was one little amusing incident. Manners got out in hooding a ball which went hard and high over Gahan's head at mid wicket, the fielder apparently had some sort of idea that the ball was near him and threw up his open hand upwards and backwards and the ball nestled therein very comfortably. I thought it rather unkind that the first intimation the spectators had that a catch had been made was a raucous shout of laughter from the fielding side. A great many difficult catches are flukes, but you don't even make a fluke unless you make a jolly good try at the catch!

## SEVERAL ABSENTEES

I think, by the way, that the H.K.C.C.'s 154 was not declared at 9 wickets as I believe the Club was one short; anyway, they had a substitute fielding from the Navy side at the time. Owen Hughes had had some sort of idea that the ball was near him and threw up his open hand upwards and backwards and the ball nestled therein very comfortably. I thought it rather unkind that the first intimation the spectators had that a catch had been made was a raucous shout of laughter from the fielding side. A great many difficult catches are flukes, but you don't even make a fluke unless you make a jolly good try at the catch!

## LOW SCORING

I was unable to see the K.C.C. and Recreation match, but I have a strong suspicion that the cross had "bad batting" I have been told that this was partly so but that the

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## CHINESE Y.M.C.A. TOO GOOD FOR KING'S COLLEGE

### In "A" Division Of Badminton League

The Chinese Y.M.C.A. visited King's College last evening and won by eight sets to one in the "A" Division of the Badminton League. Scores:

Lam Tsang and Chan Sik-pui (King's College) lost to C. Au and E. Koh 1-21; beat H. Koh and A. Chung 21-9; lost to P. H. Wong and T. C. Lau 14-21.

W. M. Cheung and H. C. Chung (King's College) lost to Au and Koh 7-21; lost to Koh and Chung 12-21; lost to Wong and Lau 10-21.

J. Pan and K. H. Lo (King's College) lost to Au and Koh 10-21; lost to Koh and Chung 4-21; lost to Wong and Lau 11-21.

### A WALK-OVER

The University "B" conceded a walk-over to the University "A" last evening.

### MIXED DOUBLES

The postponed match in the Mixed Doubles League between Kowloon Tong and the Club de Recreation was played on the former team's court last evening and resulted in a win for the Portuguese team by eight sets to one. Scores:

P. Fletcher and Mrs. Castro (Kowloon Tong) lost to M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva 4-21; lost to J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro 14-21; lost to L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro 14-21.

F. S. Ko and Mrs. Roza (Kowloon Tong) lost to Oliveira and Miss Ribeiro 14-21; beat Carvalho and Miss Ribeiro 21-18.

F. Tsang and Miss T. Gonzales (Kowloon Tong) lost to Oliveira and Miss Silva 10-21; lost to Remedios and Miss Ribeiro 10-21; lost to Carvalho and Miss Ribeiro 7-21.

## TWO MATCHES IN LADIES' DOUBLES THIS EVENING

Two matches are due to be played in the Ladies' Doubles League this evening, the programme being as follows:

St. Andrew's v. Recreation "B" European "Y" v. Recreation "A"

## Kukuljevic Disgusted With Crowd

Manila Gallery Applauds Errors

Manila, Nov. 28. Apparently disgusted with the poor sportsmanship of the spectators who packed the stands of the tennis courts at Rizal Memorial Stadium, Franjo Kukuljevic, Yugoslavina's outstanding player, today gave the match to Feliciano Ampon, the "Blitz" Grant of the Philippines, to-night.

The little Filipino played superb tennis and won in three sets, 4-0, 6-1, 6-0, but his victory was not fully earned. The spectators practically won the exhibition match for him because their lack of court manners caused Kukuljevic to lose all interest in the game and present the deciding set to the Filipino.

Robert Mouvet, former junior Belgian champion, defeated Cesar Carmona, 4-0, 6-1, 6-2 in the other exhibition singles matches.

Kukuljevic and Mouvet then beat Carmona and Ampon in the doubles, 8-0, 6-3. The European players will appear in their final matches tomorrow night.—United Press.

In 13 overs and Colledge 4 for 30. C.S.C.C. managed to play out time with two wickets to fall in a total of 75. (Laud 5 for 21).

## CLUB GETS THE BALL



J. R. Henderson, the Club scrum-half, pounces on the ball as it comes out from the scrum. An incident in Saturday's Triangular Rugby Tournament match at Shek-hee between the Club and the Army. Injuries considerably weakened the Army fifteen and they were defeated by 28 points to three.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

## THE ARTISTRY OF DERBY COUNTY

By Frank Thorogood

Chelsea ..... 0 Derby County ..... 2

London, Oct. 31.

All that could be seen of Derby County in a very imperfect light at Stamford Bridge told us that the men now wearing the colours of the Midland club were playing League football much above the average standard. In a land of shadows, where the crowd on the terraces resembled a dark forest haunted by goblins, Derby played like prospective champions.

It was a pity that the fog lifting and descending would not permit a full scrutiny, but in the middle the torch of genius, carried with particular success by the winning forwards, never went out.

One of the lights that came to London was David McCulloch, who was making his second appearance for the Midlanders since leaving Brentford. He led the attack well and if Derby, after years of striving, are destined to win the League championship, Brentford who got over £9,000 for the transfer of their old centre-forward, will not grudge the part which McCulloch played.

On either side of him David had made quick intelligent response. These two men were the scorers. Astley in the first half, Dix in the second half—and their success offered a pleasant reminder that the inside forwards of Derby are not the sort of players who expect their leader to deliver the bulk of the goods.

IN GOOD COMPANY With Duncan and Crooks playing a strong, masterful game, McCulloch found himself in good company. In the absence of Barker the Derby defence had no player of outstanding rank and fashion, but it came well out of the ordeal.

Bailey, as emergency centre-half, never allowed his sober footsteps to stray out of the pathway of Joe Payne; the wing-halves, Hann and Ward, did their job in a quiet, effective way and I should take Nicholas as the more stylish of two resolute backs.

The goalkeeping of Boulton reached an excellent standard, especially when the former Arsenal player tipped over the bar a teasing Chelsea's attack came by fits and

## Newport Beat Reading In The F.A. Cup

London, Dec. 5.

Playing at home to-day, Newport defeated Reading by 3-1 in their re-play in the first round of the F.A. Cup.—Reuter.

starts and it always lacked the pleasing rhythm of the high-stepping Derby five. Hanson and Burgess might be singled out from the rest, but not with any great enthusiasm. Chief honours fell to the men in the third line, where the nice calculations of Weaver deserved a better result. Woodley could not be blamed for either of the goals in a defence where Barber has not yet regained his normal confidence. Other backs, however, beside Barber will stand in the reflected glory of Duncan.

On to-day's call-over Derby should be favourites for the League championship, but as in the case of the Cup, the Midlanders generally find one to beat them. Acting on that tradition, an old friend of mine laid as much as 100 to 1 at Stamford Bridge last Saturday against Derby winning the Cup this season. The bet was taken, in pence, by a fellow journalist and I know the layer will be glad to pay.

Chelsea: Woodley; Barber, Smith, Allum, Craig, Weaver; Spence, Argue, Payne, Burgess, Hanson. Derby: Boulton; Nicholas, Howe, Hann, Bailey, Ward; Crooks, Astley, McCulloch, Dix, Duncan.

## Precedent Is Established In British Tennis

### Miss Gem Hoahing First Chinese Girl Ever To Be Included On Ranking List

By A. Wallis Myers

Miss Gem Hoahing, 17-year-old Chinese girl who is a British subject by birth, recently set a precedent in the history of tennis in England by becoming the first of her race ever to make the British women's tennis ranking list. Only 4 feet, 6 inches tall, diminutive Gem Hoahing has extended some of the best women tennis players in England. She has been regarded as a tennis prodigy for some years and even when she was 15 years old, she has played against the best players in England. She is ranked 11th for 1938. London, Nov. 8.

The official ranking list of players, based on results of singles during the past year, were approved by the Lawn Tennis Association at their meeting in London yesterday. The classification is:—

### MEN

- 1.—H. W. Austin (1)
- 2.—C. E. Hare (1)
- 3.—R. A. Shayer (10)
- 4.—D. W. Butler (5)
- 5.—C. M. Jones (7)
- 6.—M. D. Delaford (12)
- 7.—J. S. Ollif (11)
- 8.—H. G. N. Lee (4)
- 9.—E. J. Filby (12)
- 10.—D. MacPhail (9)
- 11.—Nigel Sharpe (—)
- 12.—H. Billington (—)

### WOMEN

- 1.—Miss Margaret Scriven (3)
- 2.—Miss Margaret Lumb (11)
- 3.—Miss Mary Hardwick (2)
- 4.—Miss Kay Stammers (4)
- 5.—Mrs. Hammerley (9)
- 6.—Mrs. King (7)
- 7.—Miss V. Scott (—)
- 8.—Miss Joan Saunders (6)
- 9.—Miss Betty Nuthall (—)
- 10.—Miss R. Thomas (—)
- 11.—Miss Gem Hoahing (—)
- 12.—Mrs. McKelvie (—)

The figures in brackets indicate the position in the 1937 list.

With the best will in the world, the ranking committee cannot satisfy, or even please, every player who comes into their survey, and their task has been made harder this year because of the wider horizon imposed, and the many "stars" who, sometimes erratically, have passed across it.

The men's list is likely to excite less comment. Austin was the predestined leader.

Hare played very little in this country, but he may play more next year, and it is just as well that his skill, which has not yet fully matured, should be recognised. He won more games against Budge in the American Championship than Austin did in the final at Wimbledon.

TOURNAMENT WINNERS The next four have played regularly throughout the season, and between them have almost cornered the tournament prizes. Shayer has jumped up seven places and Delaford six. The best of neither has yet been extracted. Butler and Jones have also advanced.

Harry Lee's relatively low position at No. 6 is doubtless due to his business preoccupations. On a non-turf court he might beat any of the seven above him except Austin, and only a few days ago he got the better of Jones in a county match.

None will cavil at Filby's advance. He is the only player in the list who has lowered Austin's colours, and one hopes that his place two-thirds down the list will not preclude his inclusion in international teams next summer.

Billington failed to be ranked last year; this year he comes at the bottom. If doubles were included in the estimate he could not fail to be near the top.

As it is, he is too low down. No. 12 does not do justice to his hand, his head or his heart.

A fool-proof classification of women players is impossible, and the committee, I suppose, have made the best of an order which can never be free from anomaly.

MISS KAY STAMMERS' CASE Miss Mary Hardwick, for example, defeats Mrs. Moody, Senorita Lizana and Madame Mathieu, yet drops from two to three. Miss Lumb beats Miss Helen Jacobs and rises nine places.

My own impression is that Miss Kay Stammers, despite her variable form early in the year, should be higher. She had a much better record in the Wightman Cup at Wimbledon than Miss Scriven, and she put up a great fight at Forest Hills against the winner of the American Championship, Miss Alice Marble.

No doubt Miss Scriven gets the top place because she won the two British championships—the Hardcourt at Bournemouth, and the Covered Court at Queen's. On turf courts, her achievements have been less impressive.

Miss Betty Nuthall returns to the list, and Miss Scott, Miss R. Thomas, Miss Gem Hoahing and Mrs. McKelvie are newcomers.

Miss Gem Hoahing, by the way, is the first Chinese girl to be included in this country and has made her home here, the precedent is justifiably created.

It may be that Mrs. Ellis, who was formerly Senorita Lizana, and Scotsman, British subject, will soon be admitted.

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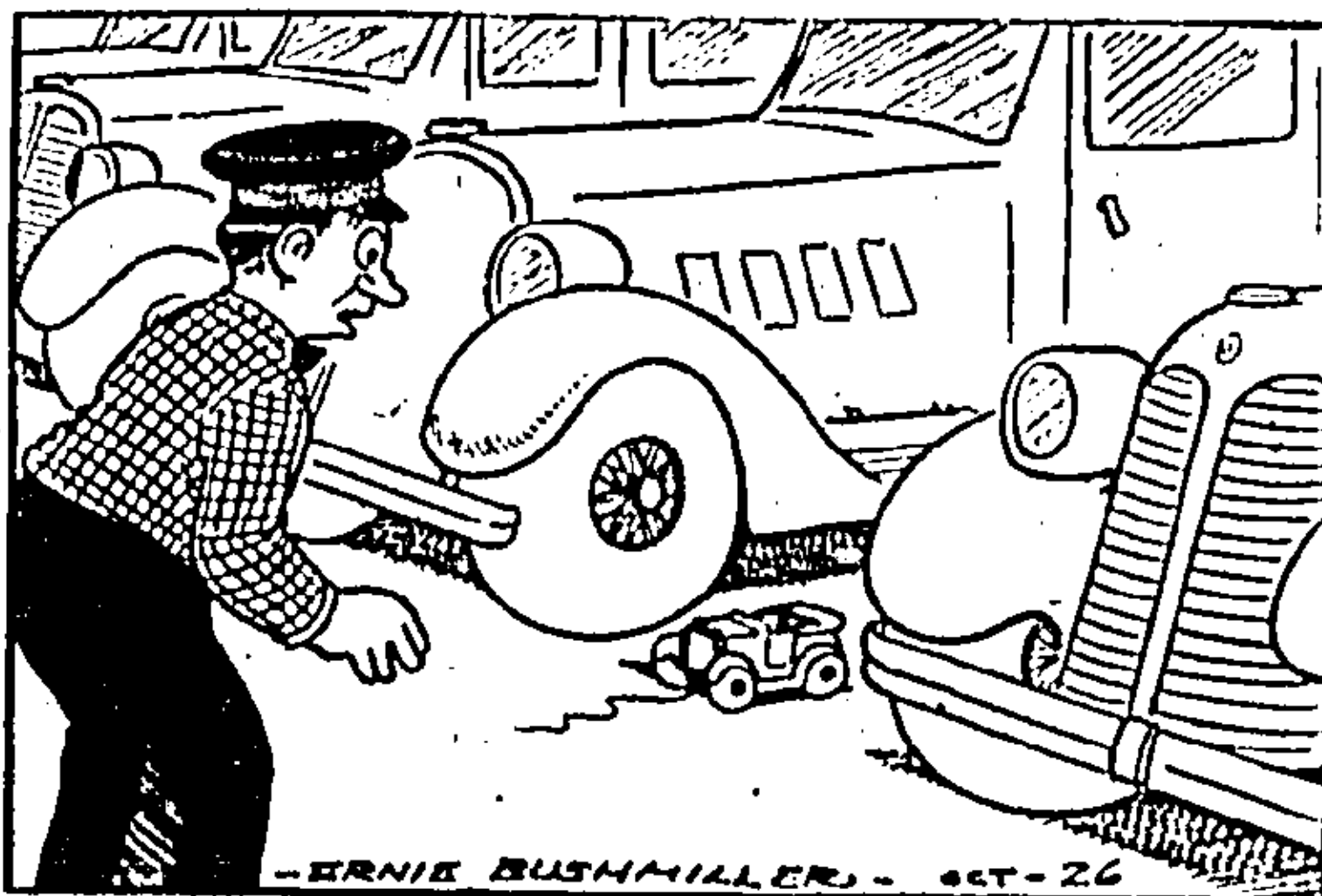
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Here's another likely-looking fellow in the bunch of subscription griffins landed in Hongkong last week. Altogether 95 ponies were brought down by the Kwangtung from the North for members of the Hongkong Jockey Club.—Photo by A.A. Kahn.



## NANCY



## VILLA IN BIG-PRICE TRANSFER MARKET ONCE MORE

London, Nov. 11.  
Aston Villa have come into the big-price transfer market again. Yesterday they paid Blackpool £10,500 for Frank O'Donnell, the Scottish international centre-forward.

The boom period in high-price transfers has been reached earlier than usual this season. Four transactions in recent weeks have cost approximately £34,000.

McCulloch's move from Brentford to Derby County £2,000, Manchester City paid Tottenham £8,000 for Sproston a week ago, and Eastham left Brentford for Blackpool at a cost of £2,000 two days back.

### EXCHANGE DEAL OFF

Eastham was nearly concerned in the biggest exchange deal in Soccer history.

Mr. Harry Curtis, the Brentford manager, was negotiating for an international player to take Eastham's place. That player was Frank O'Donnell. Terms were arranged between the clubs—Blackpool were to have Eastham, valued at £6,000, and a cheque for £4,500.

Unfortunately for Brentford, Aston Villa were looking for somebody to stop their slide, and they made an offer of £10,500 for O'Donnell.

Blackpool, who recently turned down Sunderland's £8,000 bid for him, left it to the player to make his choice, and he preferred to go to the Midlands.

Brentford have not given up hopes of getting their man. Mr. Curtis is, in fact, negotiating with four clubs, and hopes to make a deal soon.

Stoke may also have a newly signed player in their team. Negotiations for the transfer of Tennant, the Bolton full-back, were completed yesterday. The fee is said to be about £2,000. Tennant was on Stoke's books six years ago.

Other moves yesterday were:—William Anderson, back, formerly Sheffield United and Burnley, to Barrow.

## Enthusiasm For Cycling In Hongkong

Unusual enthusiasm is being shown in cycling in the Colony, judging by the interest being displayed in the Hongkong Cycling Club's Tourist Time Trial scheduled for Sunday next. Quite a number of keen riders have been seen carrying out daily training spins during the past week, and it is evident there will be a close struggle for premier places, whilst the thirty competitors who gain certificates covering the 54½ miles course inside 5 hours.

Entries will be accepted up to the time of starting, 8.15 a.m., opposite the Alhambra Theatre, Kowloon. The course being used is: To Fanning via Shatin and Taiipo, returning via Au Tau, Unlong and Tsunwan to the starting point. The three fastest riders will receive their badges at 5 p.m. on Sunday, and the certificates will be despatched to successful competitors during the following week.

Last weekend, the Club held its usual run over the above course, and all riders succeeded in covering the distance inside six hours. Numerous halts were made, however, and a most enjoyable time was spent. There will be no run next weekend as members will be officiating at the Tourist Time Trial.

## NEW YEAR'S EVE BALL AT K.C.C.

Kowloon Cricket Club's New Year's Eve Ball will be held on Saturday, December 31, from 9.30 p.m. until 3.30 a.m. Fancy dress is preferable but optional. The Royal Scots Dance Band will play, by kind permission of the Officer Commanding and Officers.

Prizes will be awarded for the most artistic, the most original fancy dresses and Spot Dances. Carnival novelties, balloons, etc., will be distributed just before midnight. Supper, which will commence at approximately 12.15 a.m., will be served from a cold buffet in the Billiard Room.

Tickets are:—Ladies \$3.00. Gentlemen \$5.00, and the number of tickets will be limited.

As accommodation in the Clubhouse is limited, members are asked to make up their parties before December 26 and to enter particulars on the list provided on the Club counter. A plan indicating the position of the tables has been drawn up and members may make their reservations in conjunction with a member of the entertainment sub-committee for parties of six or more.

### I.R.C. EVENT

The winter social programme of the Indian R.C. will commence on Friday, December 30, with a dance to be held in the club-house, commencing at 8.30 p.m. Fancy dress is preferable but optional. Prizes will be awarded for the most original fancy dress of the evening.

## "THERE'S ALWAYS A WOMAN"

"The Thin Man" started a trend in films which proved so popular with the public that many pictures were made subsequently on the same lines. While no combination has as yet proved to have the same appeal as Myrna Loy and William Powell, nevertheless the theme itself, with slight variations, has been enough to make these pictures enjoyable.

Columbia Studios have now produced "There's Always a Woman," which bears resemblance to the "Thin Man" type. The initial handicap of such a picture, of course, is that it must inevitably be compared with the Loy-Powell classic, and perhaps suffer in the process, but here is one which, if not quite so slick and so well-made, is entertaining enough for most picture-goers.

The Principals are Melvyn Douglas, as the "smartest detective in town," and Joan Blondell, his wife, who works on the same murder as her husband, with embarrassing results for all. It is amusing stuff, a little overdone perhaps here and there, but the final result is extremely good.

The film benefits greatly from the playing of Melvyn Douglas, who gives another fine performance. He has been exceptionally good in his last few pictures, and now bids fair to become a great attraction on his own shortly.

Capable support is given to the principals by Mary Astor, Frances Keeler, Jerome Cowan and Henry Kolker.

## Burning And Occupation Of Canton

First scenes of the burning and occupation of Canton, taken by the intrepid RKO-Pathe cameraman, A. T. Hull, will be shown in the Queen Theatre, to-day, together with "Blond Cheat."

It will be recalled that Mr. Hull was one of the many news photographers in Canton during the evacuation by the Chinese, and was the first to reach Hongkong with the pictures.

Missing the "Clipper" by one day, Mr. Hull forwarded his films to RKO-Pathe in New York, by Imperial Airways via Southampton. Developed and released in New York immediately, a print was rushed back on the Clipper which arrived here on Saturday last.

### BOUT FOR SHELAEFF

San Francisco, Dec. 4.  
Andre Shelaeff has signed to meet George Salvadore, of Texas, for an eight rounds' main event on December 12. Several months ago Ceferino Garcia beat Salvadore, who, however, has a series of victories to his credit, including such prominent fighters as Fritz Zivic.—United Press.  
Shelaeff was formerly welterweight champion of the Orient.

## TENNIS TOURNAMENT POSTPONED.

### Far East Event At Saigon

The Far Eastern Tennis Championship, which the Saigon tennis authorities proposed to hold this month, has been postponed until January. The following letter was received by the President of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association, His Honour Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell:

"Sir,—Owing to material difficulties, we have been obliged to postpone the Far Eastern Championship, which we intended to hold in December.

We are glad to let you know that the date has been fixed from the 7th. to the 15th. of January (inclusive) 1939. I hope you will send us some of your players.

Yvon Petra, the French Davis Cup player, is already here, and we expect Kho Sin-kie, the Chinese player, at the end of December.

This tournament will be played on the individual formula, singles and doubles. There will be no entrance fees.

We will pay hotel expenses of your players while in Saigon, and propose to pay their return ticket home.

Hoping these terms will suit your Federation, and waiting for a favourable answer,

I remain, Dear Sir,  
Yours faithfully,  
L. Durand, President.

## Fleet Boxing To Commence Next Friday

The Royal Navy Annual Boxing Tournaments will be held at the China Fleet Club, commencing on Friday, and concluding on Tuesday next week. There are four championships—the Open, the Amateur, the Officers' and the Boys' Championships.

Servicemen in uniform will be admitted for 30 cents, and others for 50 cents. The following is the programme:

**FRIDAY, DEC. 9**  
2.30 p.m. Preliminaries of the Amateur and Open Championships.  
8 p.m. Second Round of the Amateur Championship.

**MONDAY, DEC. 12**  
2.30 p.m. Semi-final of the Amateur Championship.  
8 p.m. Semi-finals of Officers', Boys' and Amateur Championships, and the Final of the Open Championship.

**TUESDAY, DEC. 13**  
8 p.m. Finals of Amateur, Officers' and Boys' Championships.

### SPORT ADVTs.

#### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Thirtieth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 17th December, 1938, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

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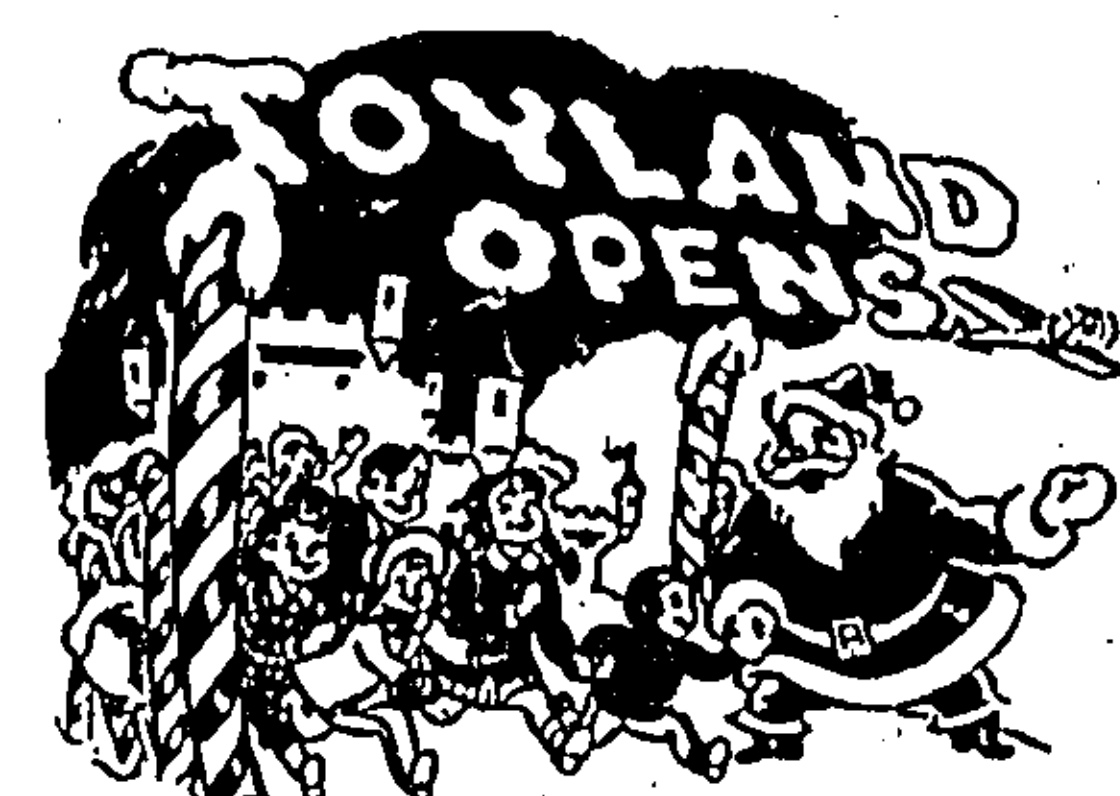
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Enormous Addition By America

London, Dec. 4.  
An enormous addition to the naval strength of the United States is fore-shadowed for submission to Congress early next year, reports Hector Bywater, the Daily Telegraph naval correspondent. The plan, which, Mr. Bywater is reliably informed from Washington, is likely to be adopted unless there is a speedy and marked improvement in the world situation, provides, he says, for creation of an entirely new battle fleet to be stationed permanently in the Atlantic. Consisting wholly of ships built specially for this service, it would comprise 12 battleships of between 33,000 and 45,000 tons, six aircraft carriers, 17 heavy and 18 light cruisers, 77 destroyers and 30 submarines. Attached to the fleet would be 50 auxiliary vessels such as fast tankers, destroyer, submarine and aircraft depot ships and floating workshops. Estimated cost of the new fleet is £240,000,000.

The first steps have already been taken to prepare for the building of this Atlantic armada. Dockyards on both coasts are being enlarged and modernised at an initial cost of £7,000,000 to equip them for the construction of battleships. Should the new Atlantic fleet be built, its completion will make the United States by far the mightiest naval power in the world.

The correspondent also understands that the British navy estimates for 1939 to be presented to Parliament in February provide for considerably larger additions to the fleet than have been expected.

The defensive requirements in European, Pacific and Far Eastern waters have been duly weighed and certain items are likely to cause surprise. It will be found that the British Commonwealth will no longer be disposed to entrust the security of vital trade routes and lines of communication to the goodwill of foreign Powers. There is evidence that the standard relative naval strength has been revised to conform with changes in the international situation.—Reuter.

## R.A.F. RECORD PLANE CRASHES

One of the three record-breaking Vickers-Wellesley bombers which made record flights from Ismailia to Port Darwin has crashed at Richmond, N.S.W. Six weeks will be needed to repair the damage.

## WATERSIDERS WON'T LOAD STEAMER

Australian waterside workers have invoked Article 16 of the League Covenant against the steamer Daifram, which they refuse to load with a 7,800-ton cargo of pig-iron because they suspect the destination is Japan.

## Sets Planes On Fire

Behind barbed wire fences on a secluded estate at White Waltham (Berks.) Government experts will shortly see a demonstration of a death ray.

The inventor, seventy-years-old, self-taught scientist, Mr. Arthur Coxhead, who has worked for more than eight years perfecting his apparatus in part of a disused mansion on the estate, believes that his ray will end war for all time.

In addition to its destructive potentialities, the ray, he claims, can produce rain at will hundreds of miles away.

Mr. Coxhead claims that by using the ray over a part of Berkshire recently he was able to cause a violent storm over Dover.

Mr. Coxhead's apparatus concentrates the sun's heat, directing on the target a thermal ray of intense power.

It is claimed that it would make the iron bulwark of a battleship so hot that nobody could survive on board. Its terrific heat would boil the sea around it, and any ammunition aboard would explode.

If an aeroplane flew into the range, it would burn up like a fly in a candle flame.

"I do not intend it to be used to destroy the human race," Mr. Coxhead said. "I believe there need be no more war."

"I can make rain whenever I please with the ray, and in that way I could prevent war. By operating my apparatus in this field I could set up a terrific storm, which would inundate a whole country overseas."

## AIR SERVICES

### Arrivals and Departures Of Plane

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For U.S.A., via Manila, Honolulu, Guam: Pan American Philippine Clipper Nov. 16.

For France, via Hanol: Air France Dec. 10.

Inward  
From London, Australia and British Countries: Imperial Airways 5 p.m. Dec. 7. Imperial Airways 5 p.m. Dec. 10.

From France, via Hanol: Air France noon Dec. 8.

From Chungking, Yunnanfu, Kweilin: C.N.A.C. Eurasia Services indefinite.

From U.S.A. via Honolulu, Guam, Manila: Pan American Philippine Clipper 12.30 p.m. Dec. 15.

## Jurors Weep At Air Liner Crash Inquiry

A Scene of pathos met the eyes of the twelve jurors recently when they stepped from the motor-coach in the lane where the air liner crashed at Jersey.

A child's toy bricks and some other pathetic little playthings lay on the trampled grass among the strips of metal and halfburnt wood.

Also to be seen were a fragment of a woman's hangle, a spectacle case, and a book.

When the jurors returned to view the victims, some broke down and wept as they gazed at the bodies.

## LATE NEWS

## CONDOR STARTS RETURN FLIGHT

Shanghai, Dec. 6.  
The German Condor monoplane started in its return flight from Tokyo to Berlin at 8.37 p.m. GMT yesterday, flying via Manila, Batavia, Bangkok and Basra.—Reuter.

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The General Officer Commanding, Maj.-Gen. A. W. Bartholomew and Mrs. Bartholomew, who are to leave this week, were the guest at a dinner at the Hongkong Hotel yesterday given by senior officers.

Those invited were Brig. R. Burrows, Mrs. Irwin, Col. J. F. King, Mrs. Farrer, Col. J. T. Simson, Mrs. Tibbs, Mr. G. F. Costelloe, Mrs. Murray, Brigadier A. B. Thomson, Mrs. Gowlland, Col. N. M. S. Irwin, Mrs. Simson, Col. E. S. White, Mrs. Richardson, Lieut.-Col. E. P. C. Collins, Brevet Lt. Col. P. W. M. A. son, Mrs. Costelloe, Rev. W. M. A. son, Mrs. Collins, Col. V. R. Burkhart, Mrs. Rogers, Col. G. C. Gowlland, Mrs. Burrows, Mrs. Thomson, Capt. P. J. Howorth, Mrs. King, Col. T. L. Rogers, Mrs. Dobbs, Major H. W. G. Willis, Mrs. Archer, Mr. B. A. son, Mrs. Hyde, Major G. P. Murray, Mrs. Hopkinson, Major J. P. Benoy, Miss Burkhart, Major E. R. Way, Capt. R. E. Moody, Capt. C. H. R. Hyde, Capt. C. R. Boxer, Major J. M. Smith, Whitehead, Major J. M. Smith, Major C. S. Dobbs, Mrs. Whitehead, Major F. H. Baines, Mrs. Williams, Major G. T. L. Archer and Major H. S. P. Hopkinson.

ANNUAL PANTOMIME  
Y.M.C.A. Production Of "Cinderella"

The production of the pantomime "Cinderella" by the Amateur Dramatic Society has pride of place on the December educational and entertainment programme of the European Y.M.C.A. It will be the sixth Christmas pantomime presented by the Society.

"Cinderella" will be played from Wednesday, December 21, to Tuesday, December 27, inclusive. The performance on the first day will begin at 5 p.m. and on Saturday, December 24, at 3 p.m.; otherwise the curtain will go up at 8 p.m.

The December programme at the Y.M.C.A. includes other special events. To-night there will be a Services' dance, and on Sunday, December 11, at 9 p.m. Captain A. B. Whitham, a member of the Oxford University Arctic Expedition in 1935-36, will deliver a lantern lecture. On Sunday, December 25, at 9 p.m. there will be a Christmas carol service.

## C.B.S. PRIZE-GIVING

The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock will distribute the prizes at the Central British School annual prize-giving at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, December 15.

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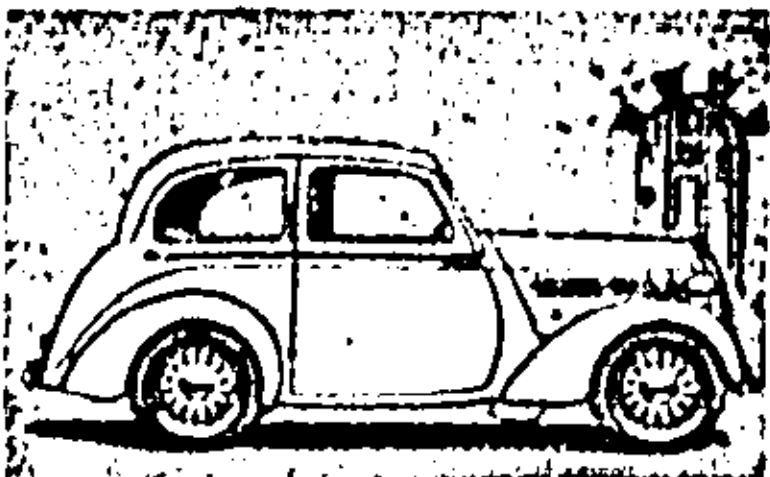
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## CHINESE INTERNEES THREATEN HUNGER STRIKE ABOARD SHIP

### Removal to Concentration Camp In Kowloon Follows "Rumpus"



**PATHTIC JOEY** sniffs through a crack in his crate home at this strange new world to which he has been brought. Joey is one of the Australian kangaroos brought to Hongkong for sale to tourists. Few kangaroos live unless they are allowed to roam freely and are fed on succulent fresh grass. Climatic conditions in Hongkong also lessen Joey's chances of survival.—Staff Photographer.

**NINE HUNDRED CHINESE SOLDIERS INTERNED IN THE STEAMER LI HONG IN KOWLOON BAY WERE REMOVED TO A BARBED-WIRE CONCENTRATION CAMP ADJACENT TO THE KOWLOON RIDING SCHOOL THIS MORNING.**

From authoritative sources the "Telegraph" was informed this morning that the removal was hastened by the fact that several hundred of the internees threatened to go on hunger strike.

Several internees, in fact, are reported to have already refused to accept the food offered them aboard the ship.

### MANY DIE IN JAPANESE AIR RAIDS

West River Centres  
Are Bombed

Wuchow, Dec. 6. A HEAVY CIVILIAN toll and huge property losses were caused in Suiching on the West River above Samshui and Liuchow, important city in central Kwangsi, yesterday, when Japanese bombers subjected the two cities to severe attacks.

Several other towns on the West River were also raided. Suiching was raided three times by 10 machines in several squadrons, which rained between 70 and 80 high explosives inside the city. Residences, shops and schools in the densely-populated areas were reduced to ruins, burying many people alive.

Relief workers raced against time to rescue the wounded and extricate the dead from under the debris. The air raid is said to be the severest Suiching has ever experienced.

After their attack on Suiching, the Japanese raiders bombed Samyungchun, Lookpu and Yushing, above Suiching on the West River, where they released a total of 30 missiles.

Shapinghu, on the south bank of the West River opposite Kowkong, was also bombed by Japanese aircraft which dropped four bombs setting fire to scores of houses.

Nine Japanese bombers raided Liuchow in Kwangsi, where they dumped more than 100 high explosives and incendiary missiles. Great fires were started. Many civilians were either killed by bomb shrapnel or trapped in the fire and burned to death. A large area of the town now lies in ruins.

—Central News.

### New Hungarian Deputies Join Parliament

Budapest, Dec. 5. Seventeen Deputies who formerly represented in the Czechoslovak Parliament those territories now ceded to Hungary, to-day took their seats in the Lower House of the Hungarian Diet.

In the course of the sitting, the House elected the former Premier, M. Durnay as President by 150 votes to 89, the former President, Dr. Kornis, who resigned before the recent parliamentary crisis and joined a dissident group, being defeated.

These figures are generally believed to furnish an indication of the strength of the majority which Premier Durnay can in future rely upon.—Trans-Ocean.

Official circles are reticent regarding the affair.

The Commissioner of Police, Hon. Mr. T. H. King, denies that there has been any serious trouble of any kind aboard the Li Hong.

"There was a bit of a rumpus shortly after the men were placed aboard the ship last week, but there has been no serious trouble, and none whatever since the men were informed that they were to be taken ashore," he said.

The Colonial Secretary, Hon. Mr. L. Smith, said: "I do not know if there has been a hunger strike—that is rather a big word. Certainly there has been no violence aboard."

"There was grumbling from the start of the men's incarceration, because the cooking arrangements were not suitable, but the men quieted down when they were told they were going ashore."

The reporter telephoned that Indian soldiers and British police were closely guarding every deck of the ship. The soldiers were armed with rifles and bayonets.

A large number of Chinese internees were still aboard, although their evacuation to the new concentration camp in Kowloon City had commenced at 10 o'clock.

The Chinese troops are being taken across to the new barbed-wire camp in batches in a junk which is being towed by a police launch.

It is understood that the kitchen and domestic arrangements aboard the Li Hong, which has been laid up near Stonecutters for over 18 months, have proved inadequate for the task imposed upon them.

The caterer has, as a consequence, had to prepare all meals ashore and then take them out to the internees in a launch.

It is not known whether the internees will be kept permanently at the Kowloon City concentration camp. The Colonial Secretary told the "Telegraph" this morning that the Government could give no information at present on this subject.

### Gunboats Sail Down Yangtse

Shanghai, Dec. 6. The American gunboats Luzon and Admiral Charner are now sailing down the Yangtse.

Japanese torpedo boats are expected to arrive in Shanghai to-morrow or on Thursday. Leaving Hankow at 7 a.m. yesterday the Luzon and Admiral Charner arrived at Kiangsi yesterday afternoon. It is expected they will resume their journey to-day, accompanied by the Monocacy, aboard which are 12 foreigners evacuated from Kuling.—Reuter.

### "One For All, All For One," Is Empire's Policy

LONDON, Dec. 5. "I AM SURE I am rightly interpreting the wishes of the people of this country if I say that if any other part of the British Commonwealth is attacked, we should, without hesitation, go to its aid," declared Mr. Neville Chamberlain in answer to Mr. Arthur Henderson.

The Labour leader asked whether the Premier was aware of the recent declaration by General Hertzog to the effect that each Dominion should do as it likes in the event of Britain being involved in war.

Cheers greeted Mr. Chamberlain's announcement to the House that after the demonstration in the Italian Chamber, Lord Perth saw Count Ciano. From Count Ciano's reply it was clear the Italian Government did not associate itself with the demonstration, and had no intention of departing from the undertaking given to Britain in respect of the status quo in the Mediterranean.—Reuter.

### BRITISH SHIPS CAN'T COMPETE

Japanese Discrimination  
In North China

LONDON, Dec. 5. MR. A. C. MOREING asked in the House of Commons to-day what steps were being taken to remove pressure which had been exercised by the Japanese authorities in North China upon Chinese firms to compel the latter to ship goods in Japanese or German ships instead of British ships.

Mr. R. A. Butler replied that the position was that a ban existed at Chefoo and other ports in Shantung on exports to South China of certain articles, not being the property of Third Power nationals.

In one case which was brought to the notice of the Foreign Secretary, a foreign vessel was permitted, although the goods were apparently Chinese-owned.

Representations had been made to the Japanese authorities in China, and the Japanese Government, both with regard to interference with trade in British ships, and discrimination in favour of a foreign vessel.—Reuter.

### URGENT BRITISH REPRESENTATIONS

London, Dec. 5. Replying to the suggestion by Sir Walter Smiles that the Japanese army authorities and wharf administration at Tsingtao no longer objected to British ships berthing at the wharf-side, and that subordinate Japanese officials were making a large profit from lighterage charges, which the Japanese Naval Mission at Tsingtao compelled British owners to pay, Mr. R. A. Butler in the House of Commons to-day replied:

"As a result of representations, the Japanese naval authorities at Tsingtao have undertaken that if conditions permit, to arrange the matter satisfactorily as soon as possible."

"The British Government expects this assurance will be implemented at an early date."

"I understand that following complaints of excessive lighterage charges, the Japanese authorities at Tsingtao recently investigated the affairs of the Lighterage Company, and some reorganisation has been effected."

Mr. R. A. Butler added that urgent representations had been made to the Japanese Government that British ships be allowed to berth at the commercial harbour in Tsingtao, but he had not yet obtained a satisfactory reply.—Reuter.

### POLICE OFFICER IMPROVING

It was learned this morning that the condition of Sergeant Terrell, who was wounded by a Chinese on Saturday morning, is much better, though he is not yet out of danger.

### KONGMOON OCCUPIED

## West River Treaty Port Evacuated

JAPANESE TROOPS LAST NIGHT occupied Kongmoon, important Treaty Port 35 miles north-west of Macao.

Kongmoon, which in normal times has a population of 98,000, is the twenty-first treaty port to be occupied since the commencement of hostilities between China and Japan. It was proclaimed a treaty port in March, 1904.

According to reliable Chinese sources, the occupation was completed last night after bitter fighting between the opposing forces.

Weight of Japanese artillery, supported heavily by the air arm, finally forced the evacuation of the West River city by the defenders.

Sunwul, famous home town of tens of thousands of overseas Chinese in every part of the world, is now threatened by the invading forces.

With the fall, in rapid succession, of Kowkong and Kongmoon, the Chungshan district has been practically isolated from the rest of Kwangtung.

The Japanese have almost completely cut off Macao, the Portuguese Colony, from the interior.

Martial law has been declared throughout the Chungshan district. Gunfire is audible in Chungshan, from where hundreds of refugees are pouring into Macao.

Dynamic squads are laying charges under all bridges and culverts in anticipation of a rapid Japanese drive south-eastwards.

### KOWKONG IN FLAMES

"Central News" reports that only about 500 out of 100,000 civilians in Kowkong were able to escape when the town was occupied by the Japanese.

Mr. Chan Quan-fai, chairman of the Kowkong Chamber of Commerce, who arrived in Hongkong yesterday, makes this statement.

When he left Kowkong, Mr. Chan said, the town was enveloped in flames.

He said that the Japanese attack on Kowkong came suddenly and consequently the civilians could not evacuate in time.

Relief measures for the refugees in Kowkong are being contemplated by the Kowkong Guild in Hongkong, but as all communications with the town have been severed, it will be difficult to carry out these measures.

According to another informant from Kowkong, the Chinese forces which withdrew to Kunshan, to the north-west, have started a counter-offensive on the Japanese.

Fighting is said to be raging in the vicinity of Taitung, midway between Kowkong and Kunshan.

The Japanese in Kowkong, in the meantime, are erecting defences in anticipation of Chinese counter-attacks.

A report from Shekki reveals that following the fall of Kowkong, tension in Chungshan district has been increased. Exoduses of civilians to Macao via Shekki is again under way.

### Hankow Faces Coal Famine

Hankow, Dec. 6. Unless the Japanese allow coal supplies to be landed very shortly, Hankow faces a complete black-out, as the British-owned Hankow Light and Power Company is unable to continue the service.

If the black-out actually occurs the hospitals will be seriously affected, while the Central China Post, a British newspaper, and the only British language daily here, will be unable to publish.—Reuter.

### COMPANY SUSPENDS POWER SERVICE

Hankow, Dec. 6. A Japanese spokesman yesterday confirmed the report that there was no coal available for the British-owned Hankow Light and Power Company.

Power in the concession areas was suspended last night indefinitely, and the absence of power and light is gravely hampering work in the hospitals, as well as the functioning of the foreign-owned banks.

### POLITICAL CRISIS IN BELGIUM

Socialists To Resign  
From Cabinet

BRUSSELS, Dec. 5. THE RESIGNATION of Socialist Ministers in the Belgian Cabinet is foreshadowed following a resolution of a special congress of the Belgian Labour Party to-day rejecting the Government's decision to send an agent to General Franco's Government at Burgos.

The vote in favour of the resolution was 372,450 for, 187,598 against, with 7,820 abstentions.—Reuter.

According to a Trans-Ocean message M. Paul Spaak, the Belgian Premier has hastily summoned a Cabinet meeting to decide the question whether the Government should resign forthwith, or make an open fight of it when confronting Parliament on Tuesday.

As things stand, M. Spaak and his Social-Democratic colleagues will resign if the Socialist Deputies vote against the Government.

This turn in the domestic political situation is believed to be the direct outcome of a resolution at the special congress of the Labour Party to reject the Government's decision to send an agent to Burgos. When this resolution was carried the party leaders called for the resignation of the Socialist members of the Cabinet, including the Premier, M. Vandervelde, who was particularly severe in attacking the Belgian Premier, whom he accused of disregarding the decisions of his own party both in the field of finance and economics, and in the domain of foreign policy.

He blamed the Belgian Government for causing a diplomatic breach between Brussels and Barcelona.

M. Spaak appeared himself at the congress, when he denied having declined to receive the Spanish Republic.—(Continued on Page 4.)

### LATE NEWS

### CONDOR OFF TO MANILA

Tachikawa, Dec. 6. The Condor monoplane which last week established new world records for the flight between Berlin and Tokyo, hopped off from the Tachikawa Airfield, Tokyo, at 5.37 a.m. Tokyo time, en route to Manila.—Domel.

### PO ON RE-OCCUPIED BY CHINESE

Po On has been re-occupied by the Chinese, according to passengers who arrived here from that town aboard the a.s. Po On yesterday.

The town, they said, is now in a devastated state, all valuables having been taken away by the Japanese upon their withdrawal.

The a.s. Po On resumed its run between Hongkong and Po On yesterday. It left early in the morning for Po On with 150 passengers aboard and returned to Hongkong in the afternoon with about 20 passengers.—Central News.

(Further Late News on Page 12.)

## N. China Puppets At Loggerheads

### SUDETEN VOTING WAS UNANIMOUS

Nearly Hundred Per  
Cent. For Hitler

BERLIN, Dec. 5. THE COMPLEMENTARY ELECTIONS to the Reichstag which took place on Sunday in the Sudeten area, as well as in the old Reich and Austria, yielded the following results, which, however, are stated still to be provisional:

Number of electors, 2,552,803; number of voters, 2,407,004; Ayes, 2,404,681; Noes, 27,427; Invalid, 5,496.

The number of seats in the Reichstag will be increased by 41 in consequence of these elections.

The overwhelming result of the Sudeten-German elections showing almost 100 per cent. victory for Herr Hitler and Greater Germany, is commented upon by the entire North Italian press in comprehensive reports from Sudetenland.

The "popolo d'Italia" calls the result a triumph of the National Socialist policy, based principally on the theory of national community. In spite of the enormous enthusiasm throughout Sudetenland, not a single incident has been reported during the elections. This is given due prominence in the Italian newspapers, who comment on the perfect order and strict discipline maintained during the elections.—Trans-Ocean.

### ANTI-COMINTERN ALLIANCE

London, Dec. 5. The Premier replied in the negative when asked in the House of Commons to-day whether he had information to show that the anti-Comintern Pact between Germany, Italy and Japan had been strengthened so as to be a military alliance between these three countries.—Reuter.



## To Prove 'Pure Blood'

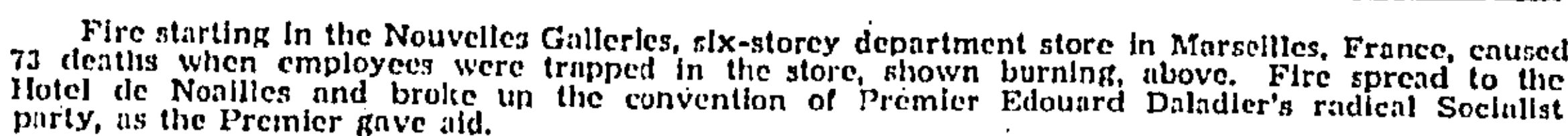
Mrs. K. Blomfield, secretary of the society, said: "We dealt with many hundred inquiries for family trees from Germans when the racial decrees were first promulgated. Now they apply to Austria, and it is from there inquiries have been coming recently."

**Belfast.**

Mr. Lyness, in his affidavit, denied that he had lived with his wife after her confession, and he added: "I broke down when I heard it. I was bewildered and I did not know what course to pursue."

New York

British exports at £42,560,000 are £2,750,000 higher than September, but £1,700,000 lower than October, 1937.



His death was due to a fracture of the spine which caused general paralysis. Maitland's funeral was held at Uxbridge.

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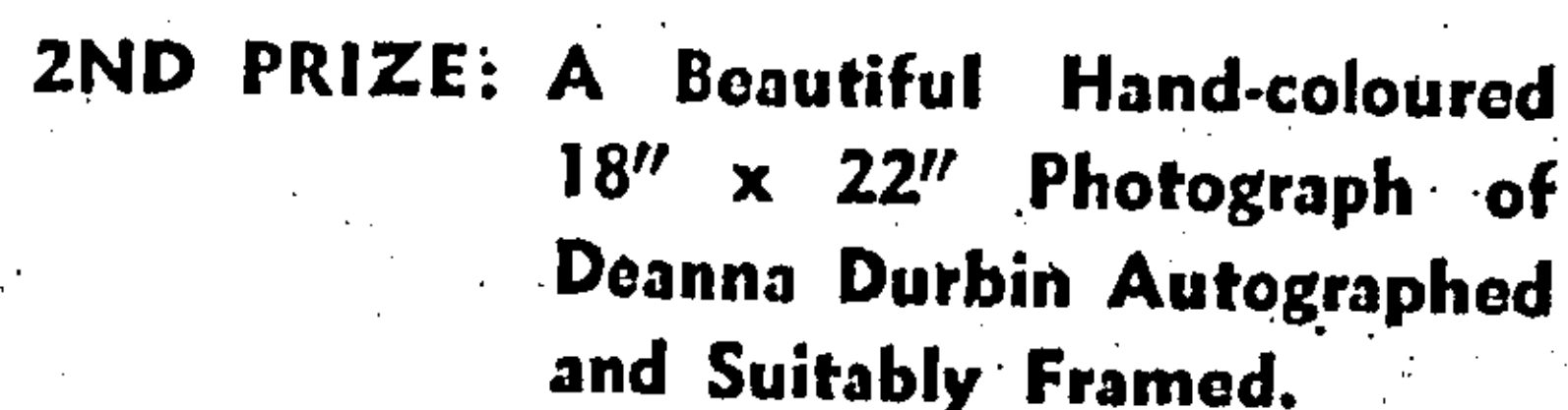
### PEASANT UNREST IN SMALL STATES

**I.M.S. Captain Found Shot.**—Capt. E. A. W. MacKeown, Indian Medical Service, and Mrs. J. A. McIver, stated to be the wife of an Army sergeant, were recently found shot dead in a room at a Lahore hotel.—Reuter.

## Don't Take Drastic Drugs

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**ON STATION ROOF**

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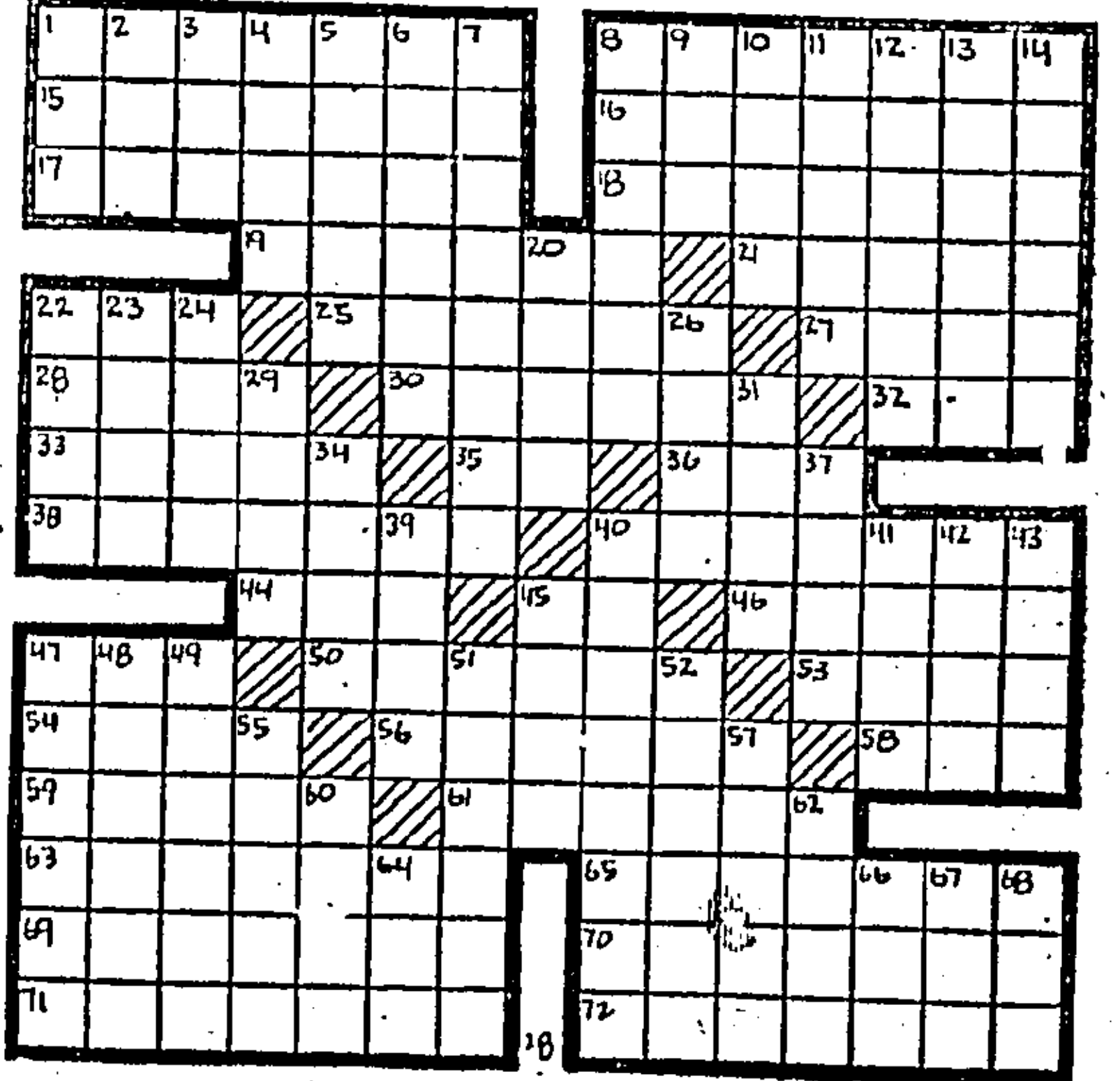
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With their children and grandchildren assembled to bless them, Fanny and Bill were married recently at the Register Office, Hove.

Afterwards the two families gathered at Bill's six-room cottage for wedding cake and port wine. Fanny has five daughters, two sons, seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren, but she buzzes about her new home as gaily as a bride of twenty.

## 'PARTED SOMEHOW'

Five weeks ago Fanny, who was Mrs. Grimes, widow, sat beside Bill, widower, in a Hove hotel. She thought she remembered his face. She asked his name.

It was a reunion of school-day sweethearts after sixty years. Be-

## MEGAN TAYLOR REFUSES £10,000

Megan Taylor, the 18-year-old Manchester girl who won the world amateur figure skating championship for women last year, denies that she thinks of turning professional.

"I am only just 18 and I want to remain an amateur," she said. "I had some film tests at Denham Studios, and I was offered a big contract to go to Hollywood, but I want to defend my world title and also to enter for the British championship at Wembley in December."

"I will also enter for the European title at Earl's Court in January."

"My big ambition is to win the 1940 Olympic title and I must remain amateur till then."

## Huge New Swimming Stadium

A £125,000 swimming stadium is to be built opposite the Prince's Theatre, on the site of the old Holborn Baths, which are now being demolished.

When complete in the summer of 1940 it will contain two pools—the larger 165ft. by 4ft., the smaller 90ft. by 30ft.

Holborn Council, which is financing the new stadium, hopes to stage international competitions and galas in the larger pool, which will be known as the Swimstad.

The diving end of the pool will be 16ft. deep.

"The scheme may sound costly, but so many swimming clubs hold functions at the Holborn baths that we do not expect the new baths to take much money out of our rates," a council member said.

The larger pool will be fitted with underwater lighting.



Personal attention to the wounded in Chinese hospitals is part of the manifold duties accepted by Madame Chiang Kai-shek, wife of the Chinese Generalissimo. Here, right, she inspects surgical instruments received as a gift from Czechoslovakia.

## MOLLISON 'PHONES' 'I CAN'T GET MARRIED TO-DAY'

Edith Geo. Five minutes before Jim Mollison, airman ex-husband of Amy Johnson, was due to marry wealthy plantation owner Mrs. Phyllis Hussey, recently, he telephoned Caxton Hall register office, Westminster, postponing the wedding.

Friends of the couple who had gone to Caxton Hall were mystified by the sudden cancellation.

Mollison spent the afternoon in his flat in Berkeley-street, Mayfair, with the woman who should have been his bride.

### 'DOMESTIC REASONS'

Later Mollison said: "There is nothing unusual about the cancellation of my wedding plans."

"Phyllis and I found that for domestic reasons it was not convenient for us to marry to-day."

Asked when he was going to marry Mrs. Hussey, Mollison smiled and said: "Some time in the future." He would not give a date.

"We cannot understand why the cancellation of our wedding should cause such a fuss," he added.

"The reason is a purely private one, and there is no cause for any rumour or speculation in connection with the postponement."

### CROWD WAIT IN VAIN

Mr. Mollison's telephone message cancelling the wedding arrangements was received about two hours after he had made a definite appointment to be married at four o'clock.

It was impossible, he said, to get along, and the ceremony must be put off for a few days only.

A large crowd had gathered outside the register office. Some had been waiting since the office had opened at eight o'clock.

The chief registrar, Mr. Bond, said: "We do not know when the wedding will take place, but it has definitely been cancelled for to-day."

"Notice of the marriage was first given three weeks ago, when it was intended to take place by licence."

### WHIRLWIND COURTSHIP

Mrs. Hussey, former wife of Captain Hussey, owns plantations in the West Indies, and is one of America's wealthiest society women.

Mollison proposed to her after a whirlwind two-week courtship. His marriage in 1932 to Miss Amy Johnson was dissolved last August.

## Film Beauty Was Bored, Fell From 16th Floor

New York.

Just after dawn recently, beautiful film actress Dorothy Hale scribbled a note, "Will not need you to-day," to the maid who called every day at her sixteenth-floor suite in Hampshire House, fashionable New York hotel. A few seconds later Dorothy crashed to her death on the pavement 200 feet below.

Startled people who rushed to the huddled form noticed there was still a smile on the face; the black hair, in the latest fashion, was not disarranged.

With her black velvet evening gown she wore silver sandals with high heels; around her neck was a black ribbon from which hung a gold Florentine pendant.

The note to her maid is the only clue to the tragedy of the woman who had played opposite Ronald Colman in "Cynara," had been twice married, and, at thirty-three, was a talented painter and sculptor, an excellent linguist.

Her friends believe she was "utterly bored." The police record reads: "Fell or jumped—probably suicide."

Miss Hale, who some time ago was reported as engaged to Mr. Harry L. Hopkins, U.S. States Works Progress Administrator, was formerly Miss Dorothy Donovan, of Pittsburgh.

Her first husband was Mr. T. Galliard Thomas, with whom she maintained a salon in Paris. A divorce followed, and she married

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Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee and the Co.'s representatives on any Tuesdays and Fridays at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage period. For the examination of damaged dutiable goods, the consignees must arrange for a Revenue Officer to be present.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.  
No fire insurance has been effected.  
NIFFON YUSEN KAISYA.  
Hongkong, 5th December, 1938.

## Easy Victory For K. Tong "B" Over St. Andrew's

In the "B" Division of the Badminton League, Kowloon Tong "B" defeated St. Andrew's "B" by 9-0 on the latter's court last evening.

Scores:  
L. Gibson and S. Darby (St. Andrew's) lost to A. L. Fisher and J. L. Anderson 6-21; lost to J. L. Stephens and J. Tang 12-21; lost to J. A. de V. Soares and T. Tsang 4-21.  
W. Know and L. Avery (St. Andrew's) lost to Fisher and Anderson 11-21; lost to Stephens and Tang 3-21; lost to Soares and Tsang 4-21.  
S. A. Broadbridge and J. Tomlinson (St. Andrew's) lost to Fisher and Anderson 5-21; lost to Stephens and Tang 13-21; lost to Soares and Tsang 1-21.

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SHOPPING DAYS  
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# Britain and The Hankow Evacuation

LONDON, Dec. 5.

IN THE HOUSE of Commons to-day, Mr. A. C. Moreing asked whether, after the Chinese had retreated from Hankow, British bluejackets were sent to cut wires and remove explosives laid by the Chinese in Japanese buildings: by whose orders this was done, and what was the reason for interfering with legitimate Chinese military operations?

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied in the affirmative, and said that after the Chinese withdrawal, British naval patrols were landed to maintain order in the former British concession which was crowded with refugees.

On taking over the temporary charge, they removed dynamite and other charges from buildings which had previously been prepared for demolition.

This was done to prevent damage to adjoining British property, and loss of life in the former British concession.

As regards the latter part of the question, the British Government was satisfied that in the interests of humanity the action was fully justified.

Mr. Moreing asked if Mr. Butler was satisfied that these buildings in which explosives were laid, were in all cases adjacent to British property, and whether, in fact, in many instances they were in separate parts of the town, and whether, in that case, it would constitute interference with Chinese military operations.

Mr. Butler replied that if Mr. Moreing had any information to give him he would certainly consider it.

## POLITICAL CRISIS IN BELGIUM

(Continued from Page 1.)

lian envoy, who, he insisted, had failed to keep an appointment with him, and had left without paying a farewell visit.

The assertion that Belgium had agreed with the British Government in advance to withdraw from the Non-Intervention Committee was described by M. Spaak as pure invention.—Trans-Ocean.

### CRISIS INEVITABLE

Brussels, Dec. 5.  
Speaking at the congress before the resolution was passed, M. Spaak declared that if the congress con-

## Chinese Dig In South Of Tungting Lake

Shanghai, Dec. 6.

Following repeated aerial bombings of the areas south and east of the Tungting Lake, the Japanese claim that the Chinese forces in this region, which previously had apparently intended an offensive movement, have now started to entrench themselves, especially in the vicinity of Pingkiang, which is geographically especially suited for defence.

The Japanese admitted that the Chinese forces have moved eastward from the regions south of Tungting Lake towards Pingkiang, strengthening the Chinese forces there.

From the South China theatre, it is reported that Japanese planes on two successive days bombed and damaged Chinese gunboats on the West River, hitting one gunboat each time.

In co-operation with the air force, Japanese troops have occupied the important city of Kowkong on the West River, 50 miles south-west of Canton, this marking the first Japanese offensive movement for some time.—Trans-Ocean.

denied the attitude of the Ministers, a crisis was inevitable.

He warned the congress against a return to sterile opposition, and said that a Government crisis would involve grave consequences for democracy, and would probably lead to the dissolution of Parliament.

M. Balthazar, Minister for Public Works, explained clearly that the passing of the resolution would involve the resignation of the Socialist Ministers.

After the resolution had been passed, the Socialist Ministers met and it was decided to summon the Cabinet to-night. It is anticipated that the Government will meet the Chamber to-morrow, and if the Parliamentary Socialists oppose the Socialist Ministers will resign.—Reuter.

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## Work Resumes In Factories In France

Paris, Dec. 5.  
Work in the factories which were concerned in the general strike is gradually being resumed, and it is expected that nearly all plants will be operating in the course of the next three days.

Some works are being guarded by a large force of police and mobile guards, and only those workers are admitted who are in possession of special identity cards, as well as a certificate of employment issued by the management.

These sections of industry which are concerned with national defence are re-opening first, and other sections will probably follow soon. It is stated that in the metal industry as a whole in the Paris region an overwhelming majority of workers have accepted employers' demands to sign new individual contracts in place of the collective agreement which lapsed owing to the attempted general strike.

The number of workers who have hitherto refused to comply with this condition was estimated this afternoon to be only three or four thousand.—Trans-Ocean.

## WAR OFFICE APPOINTMENTS

London, Dec. 5.

The following appointments are announced by the War Office.

Lieut-General W. K. Venning to be Quartermaster-General of the Forces, Lieut-General W. D. S. Browning to be Director-General of the Territorial Army, Lieut-General R. H. Haining, the General Officer Commanding in Palestine, to be G.O.C.-in-Chief of the Western Command, Major-General M. G. H. Barker to be G.O.C. in Palestine and Trans-Jordan, with the rank of Lieut-General, and Major-General G. J. Giffard to be Military Secretary to the Secretary of War, with rank of Lieut-General.

The appointments of Lieut-General Haining and Major-General Barker are to date from August, 1939.—Reuter.

## SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

**Banks**  
H.K. Banks, \$1400 sa.  
H.K. Bank (Lon. Reg.), £83 n.  
Chartered Bank, £94½ n.  
Mercantile Bank, A. & B., £274 n.  
Mercantile Bank, C., £13 n.  
East Asia Bank, \$88 n.

**Insurance**  
Canton Ins., \$215 n.  
Union Ins., \$487½ b.  
China Underwriters, 75 cts. n.  
H.K. Fire Ins., \$190 n.

**Shipping**  
Douglas, \$80 b.  
H.K. Steamships, \$18 n.  
Indo-China (Pref.), \$60 n.  
Indo-China (Def.), \$24 n.  
Shell Bearer, s/- 81/3 n.  
Union Waterboats, \$9 n.

**Docks Etc.**  
H.K. & K. Wharves, \$117 b.  
H.K. Docks (old), \$184 n.  
H.K. Docks (new), \$174 n.  
Providents (old), \$58.00 b.  
Providents (new), \$60 b.  
New Engineering, \$4.80 n.  
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$100 n.  
Kaiton Mining Adm., s/- 18/- n.  
Rauks, \$9.10 b.

**Philippine Mining**  
Antamoks, P. 47½ sa.  
Atoks, P. 26 sa.

**Gold**  
Bengal Gold P. 24½ sa.  
Bengal Consol., P. 13.00 sa.  
Coco Grove, P. 51 sa.  
Consolidated Mines, P. 0035 sa.  
Demonstrations, P. —

**Lands, Hotels, etc.**  
San Maurice, P. 1.80 sa.  
Suyoc Consol., P. 19½ sa.  
United Paracels, P. 31 sa.

**H. and S. Hotels, etc.**  
H.K. Lands, \$25 sa.  
H.K. Lands, 4½ dec. 107½ n.  
Shanghai Lands, Sh. \$8.00 n.  
Humphreys, \$84 n.

**H.K. Realities, \$54 n.**  
Chinese Estates, \$90 n.  
Public Utilities

H.K. Tramways, \$17.10 b.  
Peak Trams (old), \$64 n.  
Peak Trams (new), \$34 n.  
Star Ferry, \$71½ b.

**Yau-mat Ferry (old), \$23 n.**  
Yau-mat Ferry (new), \$22½ n.  
China Light (old), \$10.00 b.  
China Light (new), \$10.60 b.

**H.K. Electric, \$58 sa.**  
Macao Electric, \$174 n.  
Sandaikan Lights, \$104½ b. and sa.  
Telephone (old), \$23.00 b.

**Telephone (new), \$8.00 n.**  
Singapore Traction, s/- 21/3 n.  
Singapore Pref., s/- 25/- n.

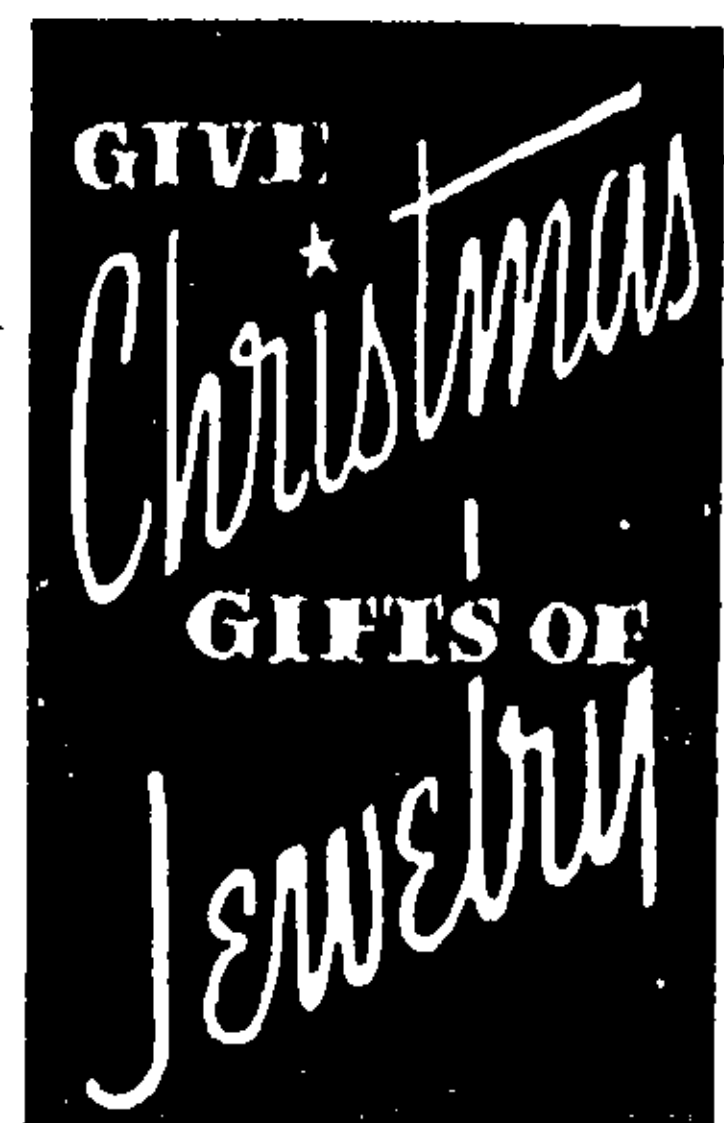
**Industrial**  
Cald: Macg. (ord.), Sh. \$14 n.  
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. \$13 n.  
Canton Ice, \$1.70 n.

**Cements, \$154 b.**  
H.K. Ropes, \$4.05 sa.  
Dairy Farms, \$25 sa.

**Watsons, \$7.10 b.**  
Lane Crawford's, \$84 n.  
Sinceres, \$2 n.  
Wing On (H.K.), \$30 n.  
William Powell, Ltd., 90 cts. n.

**Cotton Mills**  
Ewo Cotton, Sh. \$10½ n.  
Shal. Cotton Sh. \$108 n.  
Zong Sing's, Sh. \$24 n.  
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$40 n.

**Miscellaneous**  
H.K. Entertainments, 304 n.  
Constructions, \$14 n.  
Vibro Piling, \$7 b.  
Ch. Govt. 4% 1925 G\$ Bonds, 71½ n.  
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The Last Christmas Letter Mail (15 cents per half-ounce) for Canada by the "Imperial Airways Plane" will be closed as follows:

Registered Mail ... 5 p.m. Dec. 5.  
Ordinary Mail ... 7 p.m. Dec. 5.  
This mail is expected to arrive at Vancouver or Victoria B.C., on December 23, 1938.

### CHRISTMAS LETTER MAIL FOR SOUTH AFRICA

(By Imperial Airways Service)

The last Christmas Letter Mail (15 cents per half-ounce) for South Africa by the "Imperial Airways Plane" will be closed as follows:

Registered Mail ... 5 p.m. Dec. 12.  
Ordinary Mail ... 7 p.m. Dec. 12.  
This mail is expected to arrive at Durban on December 21, 1938.

### CHRISTMAS LETTER MAIL FOR GREAT BRITAIN AND AUSTRALIA

(By Imperial Airways Service)

The last Christmas Letter Mail (15 cents per half-ounce) for Great Britain and Australia by the "Imperial Airways Plane" will be closed as follows:

Registered Mail ... 5 p.m. Dec. 15.  
Ordinary Mail ... 7 p.m. Dec. 15.  
This mail is due to arrive at London on December 22, and Sydney on December 24, 1938.

### VIA SIBERIA ROUTE

Letters and Postcards for Europe (except Great Britain and Elre) and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

### MAIL LETTERS

Ordinary letter mail only for West Kowtung, Kwangsi, Szachwan, Kweichow and Hunan will be accepted at senders' risk.

### MAIL FOR CANTON

Ordinary mail (not Registered, Insured or Parcel) will be accepted for Canton and despatched as circumstances permit.

### OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

### INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due.
Straits	Antiochus	December 6.
Australia and Manila	Chongto	December 6.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Holhow	Kingyuan	December 6.
Amoy	Van Heutsz	December 6.
Manila	Emp. of Canada	December 7.
Tientsin and Swatow	Holhow	December 7.
Haiphong	Laos	December 7.
Shanghai and Swatow	Sulyang	December 7.
Parcels from Calcutta and Straits	Talma	December 7.
Japan and Shanghai	Aramis	December 8.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Papers etc.), London date, 10th November and London Parcels—London date, 3rd November.	Chitral	December 8.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 1st December.	Imperial Airways Plane	December 8.
Saloon	Marchal Joffre	December 8.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 18th November)	Pres. Coolidge	December 8.
Shanghai and Swatow	Yochow	December 8.
Straits	Aeneas	December 8.
Japan and Shanghai	M/V Canton	December 9.
Java	Tjibadak	December 9.
Shanghai	Tokushima Maru	December 9.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 4th December.	Imperial Airways Plane	December 10.
Bangkok and Holhow	Kweiyang	December 10.
Japan	Montevideo Maru	December 11.
Java and Manila	Tjinegara	December 12.
Straits	Cremer	December 13.
Japan and Shanghai	Hector	December 13.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 7th December.	Pan-American Airways Plane	December 14.

### OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time.
Tuesday		
Haiphong and Pakhoi	Kuangchow	Tues., Dec. 6, Noon.
Fort Bayard and Haiphong	Jean Dupuis	Tues., Dec. 6, 2 p.m.
Swatow and Fochow	Seitan	Tues., Dec. 6, 3 p.m.
Saloon and (Papers only for Neptuni)	K.P.O.	Tues., Dec. 6.
Madang and Salamaua) and (Papers and Parcels for Rabaul)	Reg.	Dec. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 6, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	Dec. 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 6, 7 p.m.
Wednesday		
Haiphong	Norviken	Wed., Dec. 7, 10 a.m.
Swatow and Tientsin	Fooshing	Wed., Dec. 7, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Anshun	Wed., Dec. 7, 1.30 p.m.
Amoy	Tsinan	Wed., Dec. 7, 3.30 p.m.
Parcels only for Singapore	Van Heutsz	Wed., Dec. 7, 5 p.m.

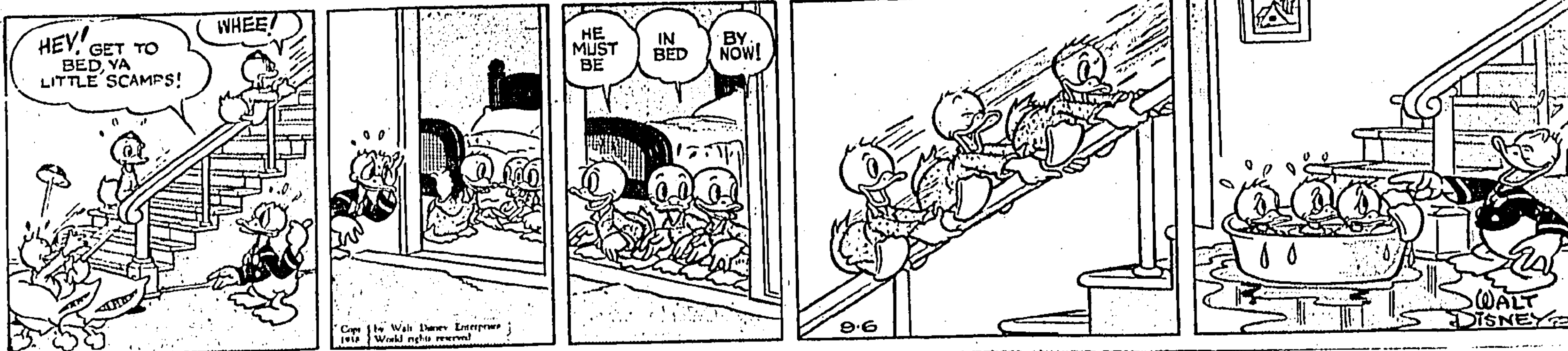
Thursday		
Shanghai and Japan	Marchal Joffre	Thurs., Dec. 8, 1.30 p.m.
Saloon	Aramis	Thurs., Dec. 8, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 15th December	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., Dec. 8.
	K.P.O.	Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 8, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 8, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 17th December.	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., Dec. 8.
	K.P.O.	Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 8, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 8, 7 p.m.
Manila	President Coolidge	Thurs., Dec. 8.
	K.P.O.	Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 8, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 8, 7 p.m.
Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America via Vancouver B.C., and (Parcels and Papers only for Canada)—due Vancouver B.C., 28th December	Empress of Canada	Thurs., Dec. 8.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Dec. 8, 5 p.m.
	Parcels	Dec. 8, 0.15 a.m.
	Ord.	Dec. 9, 10 a.m.

Friday		
Swatow	Kingyuan	Fri., Dec. 9, 8.30 a.m.
Sandaikan	Mausang	Fri., Dec. 9, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe (except Great Britain and Elre) via Siberia	Chitral	Fri., Dec. 9, 10.30 a.m.
Parcels only for Calcutta	Hosing	Fri., Dec. 9.
Fort Bayard and Holhow	Yochow	Fri., Dec. 9, Noon.
Manila, Saigon, Bangkok, Mauritius, Reunion, Madagascar and Lourenco Marques	Ruys	Fri., Dec. 9, 3.30 p.m.

Saturday		
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways British M/V Canton	..Sat., Dec. 10.	
Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 20th December	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg. ....	Dec. 10, 9.30 a.m.
	Ord. ....	Dec. 10, 10 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and British M/V Canton	..Sat., Dec. 10.	
South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 6th January, 1939.	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Parcels, ....	Dec. 9, 6 p.m.
	Reg. ....	Dec. 10, 9.45 a.m.
	Ord. ....	Dec. 10, 10.30 a.m.
Haiphong	Laos .....	Sat., Dec. 10, 2 p.m.
Amoy	Sulyang .....	Sat., Dec. 10, 3.30 p.m.



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## Commons And Gen. Franco's "Mistake"

London, Dec. 5. The seizure of ships by the naval forces of General Franco was again raised in the House of Commons at question time. The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs was asked if General Franco had given any explanation of the mistake he had admitted, regarding the arrest and detention of two Greek ships under charter for transport on behalf of the British Government, of wheat purchased in Rumania.

Mr. R. A. Butler replied that full information has not been received from the British Agent at Burgos. Regarding other ships under detention, in the cargoes of which British merchants hold an interest, Mr. Butler assured the Opposition Leader that these cases were being actively pursued and he sincerely hoped the Government would receive satisfaction.—British Wireless.

## NEW C.J. FOR MALAYA

London, Dec. 5. The Colonial Office has announced that Mr. K. E. Poyser, Puisne Judge in Ceylon, has been selected for the appointment of Chief Justice to the

## BIG NAVAL INCREASE PREDICTED FOR H.K.

## Noted Naval Correspondent Sends Special Message to "Telegraph"

(Special to "Telegraph")

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LARGE ADDITIONS to British naval strength in the Far East are envisaged by Mr. Hector C. Bywater, Naval Correspondent of the London "Daily Telegraph & Morning Post."

Following publication in the Final Edition of the "Hongkong Telegraph" yesterday of Mr. Bywater's forecast that the British naval estimates which will be presented to Parliament next February provide for considerably larger additions to the British Fleet than has been expected, the "Hongkong Telegraph" cabled Mr. Bywater, asking if he would be good enough to amplify his statement with particular reference to the position in the Far East.

In his reply, received early this morning, the noted Naval Correspondent predicts that the present naval strength of five cruisers, one aircraft carrier, a destroyer flotilla and a submarine flotilla in Hongkong will be considerably increased under the new estimates.

"The present standard of relative strengths between Britain's and other fleets, which provides for a maximum of 60 modern and ten old cruisers, is no longer considered adequate to meet defence requirements in Europe, the Near East and the Far East," Mr. Bywater cables. The plans include a considerable strengthening of the position in the Far East, and items with reference to Hongkong and Singapore are likely to create considerable surprise when the estimates are introduced.

In addition to radical increases in fleet strength and personnel, Mr. Bywater reveals in his cable that the new naval plan envisages the construction of a group of powerful ocean-going tugs, which will be used at all stations for salvage purposes.

**BATTLESHIPS FOR SINGAPORE**  
Although the great Singapore Dock is already completed and in capable of docking Britain's largest battleship, no attempt has yet been made to create a new Pacific squadron which will be based ultimately at Singapore.

Presumably, one of the surprises to which the Naval Correspondent refers relates to the birth of this Pacific squadron, which is almost certain to include one or two battleships.

They will be the first British ships exceeding 10,000 tons (with the exception of aircraft carriers) to be based in the Pacific.

The present British naval strength in the Pacific, excluding the Royal Australian Navy, is as follows:  
Cruisers: H. M. ships Kent, Suffolk, Dorsetshire, Birmingham and Cardiff.  
Aircraft Carrier: H.M.S. Eagle.

Destroyers: H. M. ships Duncan, Decoy, Dauntless, Defender, Diana, Delight, Duchess, Diamond, Daring, Westcott.

Submarines: H. M. ships Medway (depot ship) Odin, Olin, Olympus, Orpheus, Perseus, Parthian, Phoenix, Pandora, Proteus, Rainbow, Rover, Regent, Regulus, Rumpus, Rorqual.

All these ships are based at Hongkong. In addition there are several small gunboats attached to the West River and Yangtze Patrol.

H.M.S. Herald is used for survey work. H.M.S. Thetis and H.M.S. Thracian are attached to the Hongkong Defence Flotilla.

## HAINAN TENSION IS EASED

Holloway, Dec. 6. Tension at Hainan Island has been considerably eased after the departure of ten Japanese warships.—Central



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## Roosevelt's Defence Of Democracy

Caper Hills, N. Carolina, Dec. 5. President Roosevelt, in a broadcast address to the University of North Carolina to-day defended his democratic policy, declaring: "There may be those in the world who believe that regimented people, whose every thought and action is directed by one man, may give to some people a type of security which is pleasing to them. But whatever convictions I have, none is stronger than my abiding belief that the security and well-being of the American people can best be served by democratic purposes, which have made this country strong and great."

"The future rests not on chance alone, not on mere smugness, nor mere fatalism, but on the affirmative action which we take in America."

"What America does, or fails to do in the next few years has a greater bearing and influence on the human race for centuries to come than most of us here to-day can ever conceive."

"We are not only the largest and most powerful democracy in the world, but many other democracies look to us for leadership that the world may survive."

President Roosevelt added that the external policies of the United States were exerted on the side of peace, and that "they are exerted more strongly than ever before toward self-preservation of the human race through the assurance of peace."

## B.B.C. TO CONTINUE FOREIGN BULLETINS

London, Dec. 5. The Postmaster-General told the House of Commons to-day that no proposal to discontinue the foreign news bulletins, broadcast daily in German, French and Italian had been considered by the B.B.C.—British Wireless.

## HONGKONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

The Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children will take place in the Helena May Institute, on Tuesday, December 13, at 5.15 p.m.

Anne Crozier,  
Hon. General Secretary.

## \*—RADIO—\*

## Rugby Union Football Game Oxford v Cambridge ROTARY TIFFIN SPEECH

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6.0 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

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6.21 (a) I could use a dream; (b) A-ticket a-tasket; (c) Basin Street Blues; (d) East Side Kick.

6.35 Records: Song Of Songs (Maya); Ah! Sweet Mystery Of Life (Herbert); George Scott-Wood (Piano-Accordeon) with vocal refrain. Banjo Favourites. Raymonde and His Band O' Banjos.

6.44 (a) Blue Hawaii; (b) Flat Foot Floogie; (c) My Campfire dream; (d) Twilight In Turkey.

7.0 Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Grace Fields. Clapham and Dwyer. Frank Crumit, Elizabeth Welch and Harry Roy & His Orchestra.

Dance Orch.—Clarinet Marmalade—Quickstep. Harry Roy & His Orchestra. Vocal—The Desert Song (Hammerstein) . . . Grace Fields with Orchestra. Dance Orch.—Mama, I

Wanna Make Rhythm—Quickstep (Film "Manhattan Music Box") O.O.O.O.O.Oh. Boom!—Quickstep . . . Harry Roy & His Orchestra with vocal refrain. Vocal—C'est Le Debut D'Une Aventure (Mireille); Quand On A Mal Aux Dents (Mireille) . . . Pills et Tablet with Piano accomp. Humorous Sketch—A Spot Of Fishing (Clapham and Dwyer) . . . Clapham and Dwyer. Dance Orch.—Say "Si, Si"

—Rumba; It's The Natural Thing To Do—Fox-Trot (Film "Double or Nothing") . . . Harry Roy & His Orchestra. Dance Orch.—When It's Thursday Night In Egypt—Comedy. Fox-Trot; Algonon, Willesnood, John & His Orchestra. Comedienne—Far Away In Shanty Town (from "Glamorous Night"—Novello); The Girl I Knew (from "Glamorous Night"—Novello) . . . Elizabeth Welch with Piano.

by the Drury Lane Theatre Orch. Comedienne—Whoops We Go Again (Harvey) . . . Al and Bob Harvey with Orch. Vocal—Ring Down The Curtain (Miller-Iida) . . . Grace Fields with Orchestra; Dance Orch.—Six-Eight Medley with Orch. . . . Harry Roy and His Orchestra; Vocal—Taught Me How To Play The Second Fiddle (Moder and Dahl); . . . Frank Crumit (Tenor) with Orch.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Rossini—La Boutique Fantasque. Played by London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Eugene Coossens.

8.30 London Relay—"Steamboat," programme of variety, music, and drama from our floating playhouse, reviving for you some of the glories of the old showboat days; The cast will include Dick Francis as The Showman Lorna Stuart; Brian Lawrence; Jack Train; The Three In Harmony; and Walsh and Barker; The Orchestra (led by Josef Marais); Conducted by Jack Clarke; The programme devised by Adrian Thomas and presented by William MacLurg.

9.15 London Relay—"As I See It" by David Low.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Eric Coates Compositions. O Song Remembered. . . . John McCormack (Tenor) with Piano accomp. by Edwin Schneider. Four Ways Sultey; 1. Northwards (March); 2. Southwards (Valse); 3. Eastwards (Eastern Dance); 4. Westwards (Rhythm) . . . New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Joseph Lewis; London Bridge March. . . . New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Joseph Lewis.

10.10 London Relay—Oxford v. Cambridge. A commentary on the Inter-University Rugby Union Football Match from Twickenham; (By courtesy of the Rugby Football Union).

11.45 Close down.

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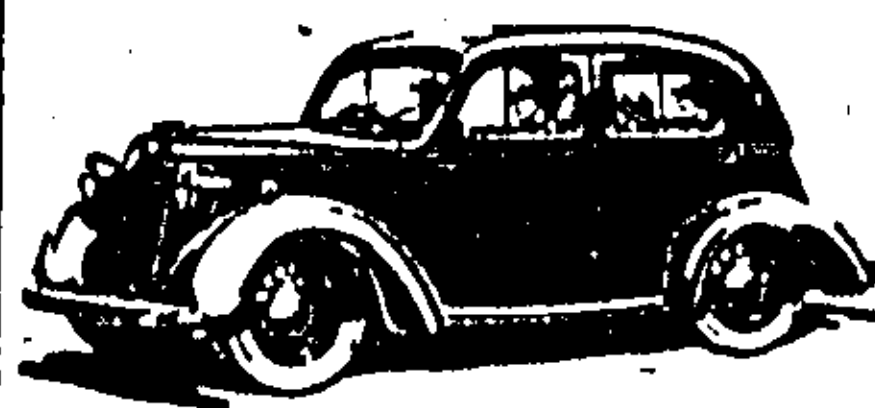
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## A New World

THE REPORT late last night that the United States contemplates embarking upon a colossal £640,000,000 naval building programme which will give her an entirely new fleet to protect the Atlantic gives emphasis to rumours that the policy of President Roosevelt and the U.S. Congress is changing from one of static defence to dynamic defence.

With Munich a new world was born. In that Caesarian operation a huge chunk of world power changed hands. It passed from the democratic bloc led by Britain to the authoritarian bloc led by Germany. This epochal shift of power has suddenly left the United States standing alone and unprotected in the world game of power politics. In a word, Britain has been regarded too much in the past as America's first line of defence.

That fundamental transfer of some of the power from London and Paris to Berlin necessitates internal changes in U.S. affairs which will be so important as to make its present political issues and the partisan bickering over New Deal measures seem like trivial nursery babble. For world events that are far more powerful than President Roosevelt or any individual are now about to tell democracy what it shall have to do.

Germany has taught democracy that static defence is inadequate.

This point, the importance of a dynamic preparedness machine as against a static collection of military and naval inventories, is the key to what is now being proposed in U.S. naval circles.

## What Did They Say?

WHAT did Lord Shaftesbury say in 1848?

"Nothing can save the British Empire from shipwreck."

What did Disraeli say in 1849?

"In industry, commerce and agriculture there is no hope."

What did the dying Duke of Wellington say in 1852?

"I thank God I shall be spared from seeing the consummation of ruin that is gathering about us."

What did Lloyd George say last month?

"Are we going, can we go, any lower?"

But what does Sir William Crawford say?

He says, "Have faith in

THE MOST  
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Sixty-six years ago to-day the Mary Celeste was found.

Not a single fact has come to light since the Mary Celeste was found, on the afternoon of December 5, 1872, which would account for the mystery that, although in perfectly seaworthy condition, she was crewless, and was ploughing an erratic course on her own towards Europe.

She was midway between the Azores and Cape Roca on the coast of Portugal, when boarded by the Nova Scotia brig Dei Gratia.

In the intervening years, however, so many fictitious "explanations" have been produced by writers who have not even troubled to acquaint themselves with the known facts, that those facts have now become hopelessly obscured for the average reader.

To no less a person than the late Conan Doyle must we impute the main responsibility for starting the "mythology" about the Mary Celeste.

He based a gruesome story on what we must assume to have been his imperfect knowledge of the details and published it in January 1884 under the title, "J. Habakuk Jephson's Statement."

## Pitfall

It was only some time later that the distinguished authorship of this "explanation" was discovered. It served at once to put the Mary Celeste on the pinnacle of mystery from which it has never fallen and to broadcast those false premises which have been the pitfall of every subsequent imitator.

For among several errors of fact, Conan Doyle made one cardinal blunder. He presumed that the boats of the Mary Celeste were found hanging in their davits, which would certainly have added the additional point to the mystery of how the crew got away from the ship.

EVERY other "explanation" of note has followed this mistake, but unfortunately for their authors, the facts are otherwise.

The ship's long boat was smashed while she was loading her cargo in New York and the smaller—a yawl—was missing when the ship was found derelict.

The fall ropes, trailing astern in the water, indicated beyond shadow of doubt that the crew had attempted to, or did, get away in the yawl before being overtaken by the disaster which wiped them out.

If this all-important fact is borne in mind the reader will at once be able to appreciate the voluminous literature on the Mary Celeste in its true perspective.

## Even The Name

It has even reached the proportions of a book entitled "The Great Mary Celeste Hoax: A Famous Sea Mystery Exposed," in which its author, Mr. Lawrence Keating, not only seeks to dispel much of the fiction which has been written on the subject, but much of the fact which is beyond dispute.

Indeed, one need go no further than the name of the ship to see how the fashion for distortion inaugurated by Habakuk Jephson has persisted.

He, I believe, was the first to call it the Marie Celeste, but Britain.

He says, "A hundred times able men have cried, 'This is the end of Britain.' And Britain has gone on and on—to ever greater strength."

Be confident, then. Pay no heed to the prophets of evil.

Go about your business, seek your pleasures, in the assurance that the strength of Britain is as a rock and that its resilience has triumphantly survived days far darker than those passed through recently.

THE indisputable facts are these: the Mary Celeste was a brigantine of 282 tons, 98ft. long, with a 25ft. beam and a draught slightly over 11ft.

Her principal owner was Captain J. H. Winchester of the

By  
**W. F. Hartin**

firm of J. H. Winchester and Co., New York, but her captain, Benjamin S. Briggs, was a third owner of the ship and had an interest in the cargo of alcohol which she carried on her fatal voyage.

She loaded in New York for Genoa, where the cargo, contained in 1,700, casks, was consigned to a wine merchant.

## Last Voyage

On November 9, 1872, she sailed down the Hudson River and carried away on their last voyage Captain Briggs, his wife, and their little daughter Sophie, aged two, a mate, second mate, cook, and four hands.

All four of the last named were Germans or Americans of German extraction. The *Maritime Register* for December 18, 1872, gives the names of all the ship's company, but mentions none of that fantastic company, who claim to have survived the disaster and be able to explain it.

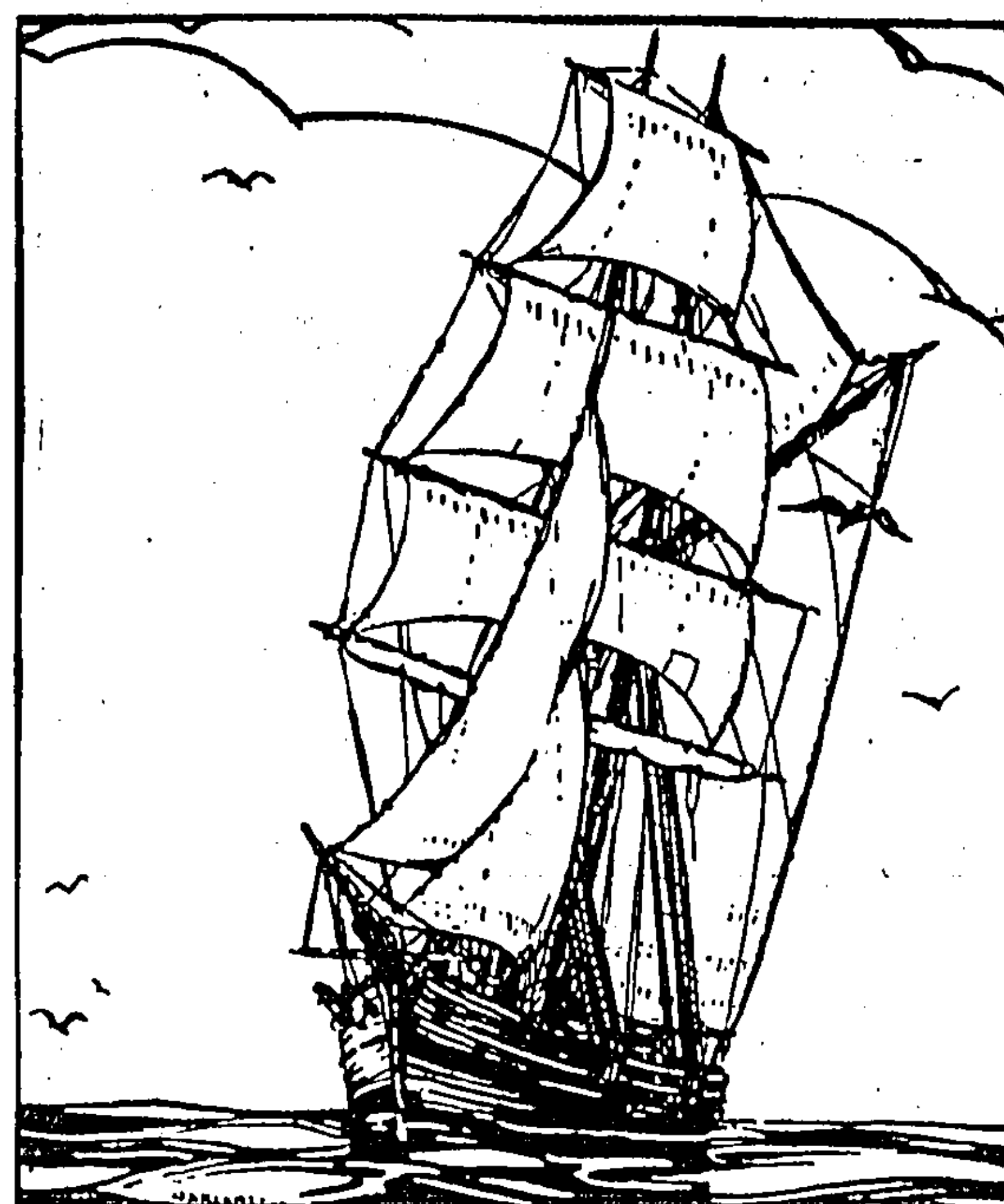
Still less, might I add, for Mr. Habakuk Jephson's benefit, were there any passengers or colourless men on board.

CAPTAIN BRIGGS, a man of religious and upright character, had a friend, a Captain Morehouse, who was due to sail for Europe a little later in the brig Dei Gratia, and they had fixed a tentative rendezvous in Barcelona, where they would be calling for cargoes of fruit on their return voyages.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"All my life I've dreamed about this moment—when my name changes from Schnitzenswurstlich to Smith!"



## THE MARY CELESTE

Captain Morehouse, in the Dei Gratia, cleared New York on November 11—that is, two days after the Mary Celeste.

After an uneventful voyage, without any of the storms that figure so prominently in all the "explanations," he found himself half-way between the Azores and Cape Roca on December 5.

## Erratic

That afternoon his attention was drawn by the erratic behaviour of a two-masted ship, which he had overhauled. She was not on a steady course, for she yawed from time to time with the changes of a light northerly breeze and ran off before the wind.

On closer approach, he saw that, while she was on the port tack, her jibs were set on the starboard tack.

His alarm increased with the realisation that this was the Mary Celeste, for it was no sort of seamanship to be displayed by his old friend, Captain Briggs.

He signalled, but got no answer. Glasses trained on the ship could detect no sign of life as the Dei Gratia came within hailing distance, even the shouts of her crew drew no response. That something seriously was amiss, was only too obvious, but what?

I DO not think any of us would have relished the job of Oliver Deveau, the first mate of the Dei Gratia and the two men who were ordered off by Captain Morehouse to board the Mary Celeste.

## Derelict

"Murder, plague, or what, could account for this uncanny silence?" they must have asked themselves again and again as they tossed in their little boat towards the derelict.

Deveau cautiously kept one of the men in the boat while he and the other hoisted themselves aboard by chain plates.

Their superficial examination above deck told them nothing except that there appeared to be no one on board, so Deveau signalled Captain Morehouse to join him.

Not a soul could be found on the ship, nor any reason for abandoning her, as she must have been abandoned, in her one small boat.

The forecabin presented the usual appearance, clothes and personal odds and ends lying about much as they might be left by their owners normally.

In the captain's cabin, Mrs. Briggs's sewing machine held a piece of cloth that might one day have been a child's pinafore.

An oil-can, a thimble and a reel of cotton remained on the nearby table, just as she might have placed them while sitting at her machine. The harmonium shipped for this voyage had the cover of the key-board back and a piece of music in the rack.

## A Letter

Some reports say that a half-empty bottle of medicine and a partly eaten breakfast were on the table, but there is no unimpeachable evidence for this.

A member of the crew had started a letter, "Fanny, my dear wife," and had got no further with it.

The beds were made up, all except Sophie's, and that looked as if she had been sleeping there when removed.

Captain Briggs's watch was still hanging on an accustomed hook; the ship's log remained where it was normally kept.

THE only things that appeared to have gone with the crew were a chronometer, the ship's papers, and probably some tinned food, for one of the drawers of the store-room had been emptied and left open.

A cutlass showing what looked like bloodstains caused some commotion at the time, but it need not bother us, since the stains were subsequently found to be rust.

## Spots Of Blood

The same applies to some spots of blood found on the deck. If they really were blood, no one has ever suggested that they were more than could come from some quite superficial wound, such as a member of the crew might sustain in the ordinary working of the ship.

Indeed, apart from the entries in the log and on a slate, the only discoveries material to a theory of the mystery, were that the cover of the main hatch was off and, although the cargo was perfectly stowed, one cask appeared to have broken open or been breached.

The Mary Celeste was of course taken by Captain Morehouse, as salvage, to Gibraltar. There she created a nine-days' wonder, but at the time people confidently believed that news of the captain and crew, rescued by a vessel bound for a distant port, would eventually solve the mystery.

But no news has ever come—only a spate of ill-disguised fiction which has added confusion to facts already sufficiently astounding.



## SALESIAN SOCIETY

### Commemoration Of Fiftieth Anniversary

On Friday, December 9, the Salesian Society in Hongkong will commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the death of its Founder, Don Bosco. The Society has under its direction in the Colony the Institutes of Aberdeen, St. Louis and Shaokwan.

This even recalls to mind the marvellous growth of the Society in the comparatively short space of 70 years, for in that time their numbers have risen from eighteen to 12,230, and the number of their Institutions from 1 to 607; and as is the case with many other great works, it had its beginnings in extremely humble circumstances. Yet if these circumstances were very humble they were at the same time very romantic. Indeed, the life of Don Bosco and the early days of the Salesians has been found interesting enough to provide material for a full-length "talkie."

The Salesians were founded in the year 1859 in Turin, and the incidents surrounding the foundation are consonant with the aim of the Society, namely: the care and education of poor boys, especially the neglected ones. A boy being beaten for his ignorance, a defence, a friendship that brought more friendships in its train, a boys' club, out of which sprang the Salesian Society. For this club, despite all possible opposition, seemed to grow and to keep on growing. Finally, it settled in a public hall, and they started to organise. They began with a choir and amateur theatricals, then followed a "gym" and band. Evening classes were prepared overnight by Don Bosco himself. These evening classes, the first in Italy, attracted the attention of outsiders who volunteered their services. Pinardi shed was enlarged, workshops were opened, simple affairs at first; then, as help came from those well-disposed towards the work, more elaborate and fit to train apprentices. The success of one school encouraged the opening of another until the Society spread over Italy, Europe, America, the world. In China there are Salesian Houses at Macao, Shanghai, Hongkong, Yunnanfu, Shanghai and Hongkong.

#### Gains Goodwill

Wherever it went the Society met with the goodwill of the public. An international group of co-operators subscribes to it, it is regarded with favour by the Governments. There is every reason for doing so as a glance at the aims of the Society will show. It is everybody's business to see that children are brought up in such a way as to be formed into good citizens, a help, not a burden to society. Unfortunately, thousands upon thousands of children have absolutely no hope of ever seeing the inside of a school, or of learning anything outside of what one may learn by prowling the streets. Now, it is the ardent wish of every Salesian to be able to take these children in off the streets, to give them a sound and erect education. Clubs, Elementary and Industrial Schools, etc., only, to do all this his hand must be tipped with gold. It is an evidence of the co-operation of the public, the fact that the Salesians have been able to begin a foundation and the funds necessary for its support will always be forthcoming.

As every educational body has a system which it adopts for the education of its subjects, so too the Salesians have theirs. Ever since Don Bosco led out for a picnic the 300 boys of the State Reformatory of Turin, and after a whole day's fun in the country brought them all back without the aid of even one plain-clothes man, admirers have wanted to know just how he succeeded so well with boys. There is nothing very deep or mysterious about it. His theory was that if you can gain a boy's affection you "have him" as to speak; he will not do anything to give you offence and will be a subject open to receive the education you impart to him. You will have established "contact". For this reason the school should be a continuation of the home influence, for it is in the home, as everyone knows from experience, that affection reigns supreme. Create a family spirit in the school, make the boys like you by showing the boys that you like them; the Superior is the paterfamilias and, as if to contradict Solomon himself, he spares the rod.

Another part of the theory is the belief that the boys should always be assisted by one who knows the world better than they, but that this assistance should be as unobtrusive as possible. Hardly in keeping with the ideas of some of the modern schools, this theory has proved its worth, nevertheless, and is the surest means of preventing the young from doing wrong and from contracting bad habits.

A much fuller account of Don Bosco and his work will be given in the lecture to be delivered by Rev. Fr. G. Byrne at the "Club Lusitano".—Contributed.

#### TALK ON EDUCATION

Mr. C. G. Solis, Acting Director of Education, will give a lecture on "The Malayan Education System" to the Technical Institute Teachers' Union in King's College at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 7. Members of the Union, both past and present, and also their friends, are cordially invited to attend the lecture.

## Funeral Of Footballer's Eldest Son

The funeral of Thomas Nicol Pile, the three and a half year old son of Mr. Tommy Pile, well-known football player, and Mrs. Pile, who died in the Queen Mary Hospital on Sunday, after a short illness, took place at the Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow officiating. The chief mourners present were the grandmother, Mrs. Tobillard, and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Tinson (uncle and aunt).

Others present included Mr. H. Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. J. Joyce, Mr. B. Webster, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Spoor, Mrs. J. English, Mrs. Blumenthal, Mr. and Mrs. T. McCutcheon, Mrs. J. Cottrell, Mrs. C. Gowland, Mrs. Didsbury, Mrs. Winterton, Mrs. R. Rosen, Mr. and Mrs. G. Hodges, Mr. W. Dwyer, Mrs. G. Hickey, Mr. A. J. Manton, Mr. B. FitzGerald, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Blandford.

Floral tributes were sent by Mummy and Dad; Gran and Granddad Nicol; Gran and Granddad Margaret; Auntie and Uncle Chris; Uncle Jack; Dick and Peg; Michael and Denny; Mary and Margaret; Graham; Isabel and John; Clara and Marlene; Peter; Joyce; Pauline and Ellen; Louie; Jimmy and Marjorie; Jim and Jack; Valerie and Doreen; Peter and George; Gloria and Jim; Rosemary; Jean and Anthony; all his little playmates at Stanley; Children of the Stanley Sunday School.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Adam, Mr. and Mrs. Bagley, Mr. and Mrs. Barrett and Mrs. M. J. and Mrs. Bedard, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dwyer, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Frank, Mr. and Mrs. C. Gowland and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harrop, Mr. and Mrs. Hickey, Mr. and Mrs. J. and Mrs. Pat, Mr. and Mrs. J. and Mrs. Jamieson, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jenner, Mr. and Mrs. Joyce, Mr. and Mrs. McCutcheon, Mr. and Mrs. McTavish, Mr. and Mrs. A. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. Dr. and Mrs. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Webster, Major and Mrs. J. L. Willocks and Miss Willocks, Mr. and Mrs. Winterton and Shirley Ann.

Committee and Members of the Hongkong Football Club, Single Prison Officers, Chinese Clerks, Stanley Indian Hospital staff, Li Pui Kee and others.

## Fire Inquiry

### Evidence Continued On Yaumati Blaze

That he had escaped through the skylight in the kitchen just as the smoke from the conflagration was beginning to suffocate him, was the story told by a man named Li Sun to Mr. G. A. A. Macfarlane at the continued hearing of the inquiry into the disastrous fire in Shanghai Street on November 17, when 12 lives were lost.

Messrs J. Hoare, Lam Tui-hong and G. A. Gutteres formed the Jury empanelled for the inquiry.

It will be remembered that the fire occurred in the early hours of the morning and that when it was over 11 bodies, including those of children, were recovered from the debris. One victim died of injuries. Li said that he resided on the second floor of one of the houses that had caught fire. At 12.15 a.m. he returned home and had been in bed for a short while when he heard the sound of a commotion coming from the floor below him. He went to a window and on looking down into the street, saw a crowd of people who were shouting to the residents of the building to run.

#### Found Dense Smoke

He did not know the reason for this, and on leaving the window he went to the trapdoor leading to the street and found, on lifting it, that there was dense smoke on the landing below.

He dropped the trap door and ran to his room, where he prepared to escape. He warned the remainder of the people in the house and then made his way to the kitchen where, on clambering on to the brick support for stoves, he managed after two attempts to reach the skylight and then reached the street by going through some other person's premises.

Li also said that when he was walking up the stairway to his house before the fire, he saw no light or cigarette end on the stairway. Close to the trapdoor leading to his floor was a small kerosene lamp, which was kept burning throughout the night, but there had been no kerosene leaking from it.

Luk Tai-kwong, Li Kam, and Sin Kai, residents of the ground floor of the same house, testified to having seen the first few steps near the first floor landing on fire when they woke up after midnight. They used electric lights on their floor, and there were no oil lamps, not even in the kitchen.

Following this evidence, the further hearing of the inquiry was adjourned until to-day.

## REFUGEE RELIEF

### Over \$250,000 For Work In Colony

Funds amounting to approximately \$1,000,000 have been distributed by the National Relief Commission for refugee relief in Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Hongkong and Macao, Mr. Hsu Shih-ying, Acting Chairman of the Commission, informed the Central News Agency to-day.

In Hongkong the Commission has appropriated \$100,000 to the Emergency Refugee Relief Council; \$3,000 to the Waiyung Chamber of Commerce for relief purposes; \$5,000 to the Red Swastika Society for emergency relief in the New Territories; and has consented to allot \$100,000 to the South China and Hongkong Branch of the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China; \$10,000 to the Federation of Relief Associations in Hongkong; \$25,000 for the establishment of a refugee workshop; \$3,000 to the Fanling Nursery; and \$5,000 for the establishment of a farm, an orchard and a vocational school for refugees.

The Commission has also handed over 40 cases of clothing to the South China and Hongkong Branch of the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China, and two cases of Chinese and foreign medicine and four packages of clothing to the Wai Ning Natives Guild.

In Macao, where between 600 and 700 refugees are gathered, the Commission has consented to appropriate a relief fund of \$10,000, of which \$5,000 has already been sent. In addition, 850 new quilts have been sent there to be distributed to the refugees. To relieve the increasing number of refugees in Chungshan District the Commission has appropriated \$20,000.

#### Kwangtung and Kwangsi

A total of \$300,000 has been handed over to the Provincial Government for distribution in the war areas along the East, West and North Rivers and in south Kwangtung. In addition, \$20,000 has been appropriated to the Swatow Municipal Government and \$10,000 to the medical unit of the Red Swastika Society for relief purposes in Swatow.

In Kwangsi the Commission first allotted \$20,000 as an emergency relief fund for Chinese refugees rendered homeless and destitute by Japanese air bombings in Wuchow and Liuchow. Later, an additional \$100,000 was given to General Huang Hsu-chu, Chairman of the Kwangsi Provincial Government, for refugee relief in the province.

In view of the influx of Kwangtung refugees into Kwangsi after the fall of Canton the Commission immediately appropriated a sum of \$100,000 for their relief. Another \$100,000 was recently allotted for relieving the refugees in Kweilin after the Japanese air raids.

Five cases of medicine and clothing have now been sent to Kweilin for the refugees.—Central News.

#### ITALIAN DONATION

Delayed in Hongkong for months because of the difficulty of getting transportation to the war area, forty cases of medical supplies, donated by the Italian Government and the Italian Red Cross to the Chinese Red Cross, have now been handed over to Bishop H. Valtorta for local relief work. The Kowloon Wharf & Godown C, where the goods were stored, kindly cancelled the storage charges.

#### TRANSFER OF REFUGEES

##### Emergency Relief Council Considers Action

The first batch of prisoners of war aboard the steamship Li Hong, at present in Kowloon Bay, will leave for the Yumati typhoon shelter, prior to entering the space reserved for them in the Matauchung camp, Kowloon City.

The refugee position in the New Territories underwent little change yesterday. There are 4,000 inhabitants at Kam Tin and the numbers in the three "freight car camps" at Fanling have not varied.

Meetings of the Emergency Relief Council were held yesterday and though no statement was issued it is understood that early action will be taken with regard to the establishment of two settlements in Chinese territory, just over the border.

An official expressed the importance of would-be subscribers reporting to the Council their willingness to give their services, funds, or materials, instead of acting on their own initiative. A considerable quantity of bread and biscuits had been given out haphazardly. Where possible, it was better to donate rice to which the peasants were more accustomed.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

##### Donation Received By Salvation Army

The Salvation Army acknowledges the following donation in aid of the Refugee Relief Work: Mr. F. Tracy \$50.

##### ST. JOHN AMBULANCE

The S. C. M. Post has received the following donation to the St. John Ambulance Association:

Mrs. A. Whitaker, \$5.

##### DONATIONS AWAITING

Donations are lying at the Business Office of the South China Morning Post for the following: Industrial Home for Blind Girls; Chinese Soldiers' War Relief; Social Service of the Churches; St. John Ambulance Association; Emergency Refugee Council.

## Smuggled Arms To Guerillas

### Japan Has Definite Information

Shanghai, Dec. 5.

A Japanese spokesman stated to-day that the Japanese had gathered specific information of instances in which foreign vessels had smuggled arms to guerillas, on the Yangtze, but they at the time was not opportune to divulge the information.

No protests had been lodged and the information had not been divulged to the nations' diplomatic officials, he said.

Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble, Commander-in-Chief of the British Fleet in the Far East, arrived in Shanghai to-day on the Kent for a week's visit. Shortly after his arrival he exchanged calls with Vice-Admiral Oikawa, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Fleet in Central China.

During their discussions planned for the week, a comprehensive examination of British and Japanese points of view on the Yangtze situation is expected to be made.

Availing itself of the Japanese offer that foreign warships bottled up in Hankow might each make a journey to Shanghai and a similar craft go up-river in its place, the U.S.S. Luzon left Hankow to-day and the French gunboat Admiral Charrier will leave to-morrow. At Kluksing they will wait for the U.S.S. Monocacy and all three will continue the journey, escorted by three Japanese torpedo boats.

Several Americans from Kuling will board the American vessels at Kluksing.

Three British gunboats, Tern, Mantis and Petrol, will remain in Hankow for the time being. The Luzon is being replaced by the Oahu, which will sail from Shanghai this week.

At least one American civilian has applied to the Japanese for a permit to land in Hankow, if he is taken up-river by the Oahu, but a permit has been refused.—United Press.

#### KULING FOREIGNERS

Nanking, Dec. 5.

About 50 foreigners, including Britons, Germans, Americans and Swiss, will arrive from Kuling at Kluksing on Tuesday, and will be taken aboard a Japanese transport for Shanghai.—Domet.

#### THE POLICE RESERVE

##### Orders Issued for The Current Week

##### PATROL DUTIES

The following are Police Reserve Orders by the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Commissioner of Police:

##### Chinese Company

Strength.—Constable R1 Ts'o Chi-long on has been taken on the strength of the Chinese Company as from December 2, 1938.

Commendation.—Constable R41 Yung Siu-chung is commended by the Commissioner of Police for zeal and alertness, when on duty, in securing the arrest of a Chinese Male on November 27, 1938, who was convicted for Larceny from Person.

Training Course.—Part II. The undermentioned members of the Chinese Company will attend Chinese Company Headquarters for Part II of Training Course on Tuesday, December 6, at 17.30 hours: Constables R9 Wang May-on, R15 S. C. Henning, Liang, R.R. Leung, Kinsang, and R60 Lau Kwan-po.

Patrol Duty.—Nightly between 18.00 hours and midnight by members as detailed by the Officer in Charge of Company.

##### Indian Company

Patrol Duty.—Nightly between 18.00 hours and midnight by members as detailed by the Officer in Charge of Company.

##### Flying Squad

Patrol Duty.—Nightly between 18.00 hours and midnight by members as detailed by the Officer in Charge of Company.

##### Emergency Unit Reserve

A.R.P. Courses.—The undermentioned members of the Police Reserve have been detailed to attend the A.R.P. Courses at the E.U.R. Club on Tuesday, December 6, and Friday, December 9, at 17.30 hours under S. I. (R) R. P. Dunlop:

Mr. E. C. Randall, A.S.P. (R), Mr. Ferox Ali, A.S.P. (R) Insp. (R) D. Lole, S.I. (R) Chau Ching-chiu, S.I. (R) Hardit Singh, P.S.R. 17 W. K. Mok, P.S.R. 20 Chan Chung-tung, P.S.R. 30 Thong Po-hing, L.S.K. 20 Leung On-tai, L.S.R. 214 Chanman Singh, L.S.R. 209 Inam Din, P.C.R. 303 D. Young, P.C.R. 313 D. N. Xaviera, P.C.T. 350 Lee Chan-ke, and P.C.R. 236 M. S. Dillon.

Patrol Duty.—Nightly between 18.00 hours and midnight by members as detailed by the Officer in Charge of Company.

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#### Life Spans Six Reigns

Launceston, Tasmania.

Six monarchs have occupied the throne of Great Britain during the existence of Mrs. Annie Norman who has celebrated her 103th birthday. She was 20 years old when the Crimean War began.

## Social Items

Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Kong are leaving for Europe on Thursday by the French mail Aramis. They will be away for about twelve months, and are planning an extensive tour with their car on the Continent, wintering in the South of France and at Monte Carlo.

The wedding took place at the Union Church, Kennedy Road, yesterday afternoon between Dr. Wong Kai-see, of the Tung Wah Hospital, and Miss Leung Shuk-lee, of 33 Village Road, Happy Valley, Hongkong.

Two weddings took place yesterday before Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, at the Registry. They were between Mr. Yue Y-shik, building contractor and Miss Angie Tang, of Lee Gardens Street, the witnesses being Messrs. Tunit Wang-hee and Bagdad Tang; and between Mr. Leong Kam-yim, merchant, and Miss Wong Wei-hing, of 3 Seymour Road, the witnesses being Messrs. Wong Pui-po and Leong Kam-tan.

On Saturday at the Registry before Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, Miss Elizabeth Morrison Wells, nurse, daughter of the Rev. H. H. Wells, became the bride of Mr. R. N. A. Depot at Stonecutters. The witnesses were Messrs. William Harrower and William H. Cullip.

The wedding also took place on Saturday between Mr. Leung Yim-shan, salesman, and Miss Chun Yim-shiu, of 37 Wyndham Street. Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, officiated, and the witnesses were Messrs. Cheng Wing-kwai and Chiu Keung-wa.

The Police Branch of the Ministering League will hold their monthly Bridge and Mahjong drive at the Cathedral Hall on Tuesday, December 13, commencing at 3 p.m. Admission is \$1. This will be the Christmas drive and seasonal prizes will be presented.

The Hongkong Civil Service Cricket Club is holding its annual Prize-giving and Children's Christmas Tea on Boxing Day, December 26. Tea will be served at 5.30 p.m. and prizes and toys from the Christmas tree will be distributed at 5 p.m.

The Ying Wah Girls' School will hold its Annual Speech Day on Thursday, December 8, at 5.30 p.m. in the school hall. Mr. C. G. Solis, Director of Education, has kindly consented to present the prizes.

Prizewinners at St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship last week were: Mahjong: Mrs. Peckham (1st) and Mrs. Brown (Consolation); Bridge: Mrs. Anderson (1st) and Mrs. Hammond (Consolation); Whist: Mrs. Spradbury (1st) and Mrs. Dunk (Consolation). The Fellowship will meet on Thursday at 3 p.m. in St. Andrew's Church Hall. There will be the usual Mahjong, Bridge and Whist Drive to be followed by a "Lucky Dip Tea."

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 3.15 p.m. yesterday, says:

The improved tone of the market noted towards the end of last week was well maintained during the day. Opening quotations indicated a firmness, and during the day prices in some instances advanced a little, but with Sellers still reluctant to trade, the turnover was limited.

**Buyers**  
Hongkong Bank \$1,335  
Union Insurance \$467 1/2  
Doubleday \$50  
H.K. & K. Wharves \$117  
H.K. & K. Wharves (Old) \$5.70  
Providents (New) \$5.45  
Ranks \$9.10  
H. & S. Hotels \$6.25  
H.K. Lands \$35  
Hampstead \$24 1/2  
H.K. Tramways \$17  
Star Ferries \$17  
China Lights (Old) \$10.5  
China Lights (New) \$10.5  
H.K. Electric \$7.75  
Sandakan Lights \$10.50  
Cements \$15 1/2  
Daily Farms \$24 1/2  
Watson \$7  
Vibro Piling \$7  
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 6 1/2 pm.  
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 6 1/2 pm. par  
China Underwriters \$0.75  
H.K. Ropes \$4.65

**Sales**  
Hongkong Bank \$1,335/1,100  
H.K. & K. Wharves \$117/8  
Providents (Old) \$5.70  
H.K. Lands \$35  
H.K. Electric \$58  
Sandakan Lights \$10.50  
Daily Farms \$22  
Antimela Pa. 47 1/2  
Aloka 25  
Bancro Gold 24 1/2  
Bancro Consol. 13.00  
Coco Groves 31  
Cons. Mines 2035  
Cons. Mines 120  
Suyco Consol. 10 1/2  
United Paracels 51

#### SOUTH WALES BORDERERS

It is proposed to form a local branch of the Regimental Association of the South Wales Borderers. Ex-members of the above Regiment who are interested, are asked to communicate with W. J. Curd, Royal Naval Yard, Hongkong.

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# ANOTHER FINE INNINGS BY LT. MANNERS AGAINST CLUB

## NAVY BEATEN IN TRYING TO FORCE A VICTORY

(By "R. Abbit")

Owing to circumstances over which I had no control I was unable to see the whole of the Navy and Club Match at King's Park on Saturday last. I missed a very excellent 63 scored by G. P. Longfield for the Club. It was a hard hit innings and I am told he did not give any noticeable chances. Haynes got over 30 and I am told that Alec Pearce was very unlucky to be given l.b.w. as the ball would almost certainly have gone over the wicket; however, the Umpire didn't think so and it is all in the game!

When the Navy started in to try and get 155 runs, they had not a wicket when Manners and Kennedy great deal of time, but at one time appeared well set. I thought they would do it. Manners practically controlled the scoring, though I cannot say I thought he was batting as well as he had done previously on a grass wicket. However, it was a question of getting runs against time, and the Club bowling never became really bad. Actually up to the time when Manners was out, having scored 94 out of 115, if my memory serves me, there seemed a very good chance of the Navy winning, and even then the last Navy batsmen refused to be dismayed and all went for the runs.

I must say I congratulate the Navy Cricketers on this. They could perfectly well have drawn the match, even after Manners had gone, if they had liked to sit on the spile, but they went for the runs and Taylor readily agreed to an extra five minutes when time for drawing had come at 5.45 p.m. Actually light had been dreadful all through the Navy innings, as the wind seemed to have got a bit south of east and our friends, the Green Island Cement Company, were making it difficult at times for spectators even to see the wicket.

By the way, there was one little amusing incident. Manners got out in hooking a ball which went hard and high over Gabanon's head at mid wicket; the fielder apparently had some sort of idea that the ball was near him and threw up his open hand upwards and backwards and the ball nestled therein very comfortably. I thought it rather unkind that the first innation the spectators had that a catch had been made was a raucous shout of laughter from the fielding side. A great many difficult catches are flukes, but you don't even make a fluke unless you make a jolly good try at the catch!

### SEVERAL ABSENTEES

I think, by the way, that the H.K.C.C.'s 154 was not declared at 9 wickets as I believe the Club was one short; anyway, the Navy side all the time. Owen-Hughes had had to go up on urgent business to Canton, but there were other absentees, which does not speak very well for the keenness of the first eleven Club cricket this season. At the end of the Navy's innings an excellent stab at getting the runs and only failed by 12. Haynes did all the damage. He started the run when he checked his first ball well up, though with a bit of flight, he seems to get from his action, and Kennedy, the batsman who had played for Navy two years ago, lifted it tremendously hard to deep long where Alec Pearce took the catch. He then dropped wickets steadily and enabled the Club to win. There was, however, one bit on the leg side off the first ball bowled by Alec Pearce to Manners; it was subsequently confirmed by the batsman that he had hit it hard, but actually so late in his swing that the Umpire could not possibly have seen it and properly gave the man as not out.

### LOW SCORING

I was unable to see the K.C.C. and Reccreio match, but I have a strong suspicion that the cross head of this paragraph ought to have been "bad batting". I have been told that this was partly so but that the

wicket was very bad and that there were a good many people out through it. E. F. Fincher played a nice innings and Lloyd got 19 not out, without being dropped, but none of the rest did very much. Prata had the uncommonly fine analysis of 3 wickets for 8 at the end, but he was more or less straight up and down.

The Reccreio failed even more heavily than the K.C.C. E. L. Gosano was bowled first ball by Robert Lee with one which swung from the off instead of from the leg. He kept a fine length and took 6 wickets for 33 runs, while Lloyd, bowling better than he has done this year on a pitch to help him, had 4 for 27, so Kowloon got away with it.

### D.B.S. WIN AGAIN

F. J. Lay is still in good batting form and made 65 against Craigen-gower. I see that Sargent was playing again and made 37, while the new Headmaster, G. A. Goodham, had 46 not out when the score was declared with 7 wickets down. For Craigen-gower D. Hung (53) and E. Zimmern (32), did very well, but the side could only total 156, and with Cray taking 6 wickets for 47 runs the victory went to the School.

### WEAK ARMY SIDE BEATEN

The Army were by no means at full strength on the I.R.C. ground when they could only make 77 against the home team. Minu got 2 for 20 but took himself off early. Godby alone did very much, pulling the ball gallantly for 25 with the exception of Painter who got 34. A. M. Rumbahn took 3 wickets for 5 runs at the end. The Indians had little difficulty in making their runs. Half-field, for once, was off his length and as he had no man on the leg side, he did not get a chance. A. H. Madar got a four practically every time he pitched the ball on the leg side. They scored an eight wickets victory.

### CLUB BEAT POLICE

The Police batting rather came to pieces on the Club ground, where Robb took 6 wickets for 25 runs and the whole side was out for 79. The Club had little difficulty in knocking off the runs as the Police made a beautiful start at getting the runs and only failed by 12. Haynes did all the damage. He started the run when he checked his first ball well up, though with a bit of flight, he seems to get from his action, and Kennedy, the batsman who had played for Navy two years ago, lifted it tremendously hard to deep long where Alec Pearce took the catch. He then dropped wickets steadily and enabled the Club to win. There was, however, one bit on the leg side off the first ball bowled by Alec Pearce to Manners; it was subsequently confirmed by the batsman that he had hit it hard, but actually so late in his swing that the Umpire could not possibly have seen it and properly gave the man as not out.

### UNIVERSITY WIN

At Pokfulam the University only just got home against Queen's College by 3 wickets, and I am afraid they are rather a weak side this year. For the school Narayan Singh took 5 for 52, and I shall be interested to see how he does tomorrow. I hope, if it is in any way possible, to see a certain amount of this Combined Schools game on the Club ground, and I shall try to have some sort of account of it in the Telegraph later.

### C.B.S. VS. C.S.C.C. "A"

This was a low scoring match, and I am told the wicket was rather more than sporting as the stumps were usually hit by balls that kept very low.

C.S.C.C. scored 89 (Richardson 27, Griffiths 15, and Crawley 15 not out), while the C.B.S. bowling honours were shared by Smith, 6 for 27 in 11 overs, and Hosegood, 3 for 37 in 8 overs.

The C.B.S. were skittled out for 30—Perry returning remarkable analysis of 7-0-0-0. Hosegood was the only batsman to reach double figures and he got 15.

R.A.M.C. PAST VS. PRESENT This was a surprise result as the "Present" team was very strong on paper. Steady bowling by Haynes (5 for 44) and Colledge (3 for 30) and superb fielding all round, found the "Present" with a total score of barely 100. Castelli's 33 was a creditable effort.

The "Past" placed run getting on the shoulders of early batsmen, but Ride was c. and b. off his first ball, and Colledge was caught at the wicket at 13. However, Lawrence, Barrow and Wright played very good cricket and passed the "Present" score with six wickets in hand.

A really friendly match characterized by the good feeling engendered by Cricket association. R.E. VS. C.S.C.C. 2ND (SUNDAY MATCH)

The C.S.C.C. put up a creditable performance in holding a very strong R. E. eleven to a draw—especially as the light failed quickly and later batsmen faced fast bowling in semi-darkness.

Baker scored 53 out of 81, and Denyer (48) were responsible for most of the R. E. total of 153 for 8, though at one time 6 wickets had fallen for 81. (Buckle took 2 for 17

## CHINESE Y.M.C.A. TOO GOOD FOR KING'S COLLEGE

### In "A" Division Of Badminton League

The Chinese Y.M.C.A. visited King's College last evening and won by eight sets to one in the "A" Division of the Badminton League. Scores:

Lam Tsung and Chan Sik-pui (King's College) lost to C. Au and F. Koh 11-21; beat H. Koh and A. Chuang 21-9; lost to P. H. Wong and T. C. Lau 14-21.

W. M. Cheung and H. C. Chung (King's College) lost to Au and Koh 7-21; lost to Koh and Chuang 12-21; lost to Wong and Lau 10-21.

J. Pau and K. H. Lo (King's College) lost to Au and Koh 10-21; lost to Koh and Chuang 4-21; lost to Wong and Lau 11-21.

### A WALK-OVER

The University "B" conceded a walk-over to the University "A" last evening.

### MIXED DOUBLES

The postponed match in the Mixed Doubles League between Kowloon Tong and the Club de Reccreio was played on the former team's court last evening and resulted in a win for the Portuguese team by eight sets to one. Scores:

P. Fletcher and Mrs. Castro (Kowloon Tong) lost to M. A. Oliveira and Miss Silva 4-21; lost to J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro 14-21; lost to L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro 14-21.

F. S. Ko and Mrs. Roza (Kowloon Tong) lost to Oliveira and Miss Silva 14-21; lost to Remedios and Miss Ribeiro 14-21; beat Carvalho and Miss Ribeiro 21-18.

F. Tsang and Miss T. Gonzales (Kowloon Tong) lost to Oliveira and Miss Silva 10-21; lost to Remedios and Miss Ribeiro 10-21; lost to Carvalho and Miss Ribeiro 7-21.

## TWO MATCHES IN LADIES' DOUBLES THIS EVENING

Two matches are due to be played in the Ladies' Doubles League this evening, the programme being as follows:

St. Andrew's v. Reccreio "B" European "Y" v. Reccreio "A"

## Kukuljevic Disgusted With Crowd

### Manila Gallery Applauds Errors

Manila, Nov. 28. Apparently disgusted with the poor sportsmanship of the spectators who packed the stands of the tennis courts at Rizal Memorial Stadium, Franjo Kukuljevic, Yugoslavia's outstanding player, virtually gave the match to Felicissimo Ampon, the "Bitey Grant of the Philippines," to-night.

The little Filipino played superb tennis and won in three sets, 4-0, 6-1, 6-0, but his victory was not fully earned. The spectators practically won the exhibition match for him because their lack of courtesy caused Kukuljevic to lose all interest in the game and present the deciding set to the Filipino.

Robert Mouvet, former junior Belgian champion, defeated Cesar Carmona, 4-0, 6-1, 6-2, in the other exhibition singles matches.

Kukuljevic and Mouvet then beat Carmona and Ampon in the doubles, 8-6, 6-3. The European players will appear in their final matches tomorrow night.—United Press.

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## CLUB GETS THE BALL



J. R. Henderson, the Club scrum-half, pounces on the ball as it comes out from the scrum. An incident in Saturday's Telescopical Rugby Tournament match at Soekness between the Club and the Army. Injuries considerably weakened the Army fifteen and they were defeated by 28 points to three.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

## THE ARTISTRY OF DERBY COUNTY

By Frank Thorogood

Chelsea ..... 0 Derby County ..... 2  
London, Oct. 31.

All that could be seen of Derby County in a very imperfect light at Stamford Bridge told us that the men now wearing the colours of the Midland club were playing League football much above the average standard. In a land of shadows, where the crowd on the terraces resembled a dark forest haunted by goblins, Derby played like prospective champions.

It was a pity that the fog lifting and descending would not permit a full scrutiny, but in the middle the torch of genius, carried with particular success by the winning forwards, never went out.

One of the lights that came to London was David McCulloch, who was making his second appearance for the Midlanders since leaving Brentford. He led the attack well and if Derby, after years of striving, are destined to win the League championship, Brentford who got over £8,000 for the transfer of their old centre-forward, will not grudge the part which McCulloch played.

On either side of him David had in Astley and Dix colleagues who made quick intelligent response. These two men were the scorers—Astley in the first half, Dix in the second half—and their success offered a pleasant reminder that the inside forwards of Derby are not the sort of players who expect their leader to deliver the bulk of the goods.

IN GOOD COMPANY With Duncan and Crooks playing a strong, masterful game, McCulloch found himself in good company. In the absence of Barker the Derby defence had no player of outstanding rank and fashion, but it came well out of the ordeal.

Barber, as emergency centre-half, never allowed his sober footsteps to stray out of the pathway of Joe Payne; the wing-halves, Hann and Ward, did their job in a quiet, effective way and I should like Nicholas as the more stylish of two resolute backs.

The goalkeeping of Boulton reached an excellent standard, especially when the former Arsenal player tipped over the bar a teasing shot from Payne.

Chelsea's attack came by fits and

## Newport Beat Reading In The F.A. Cup

London, Dec. 5.

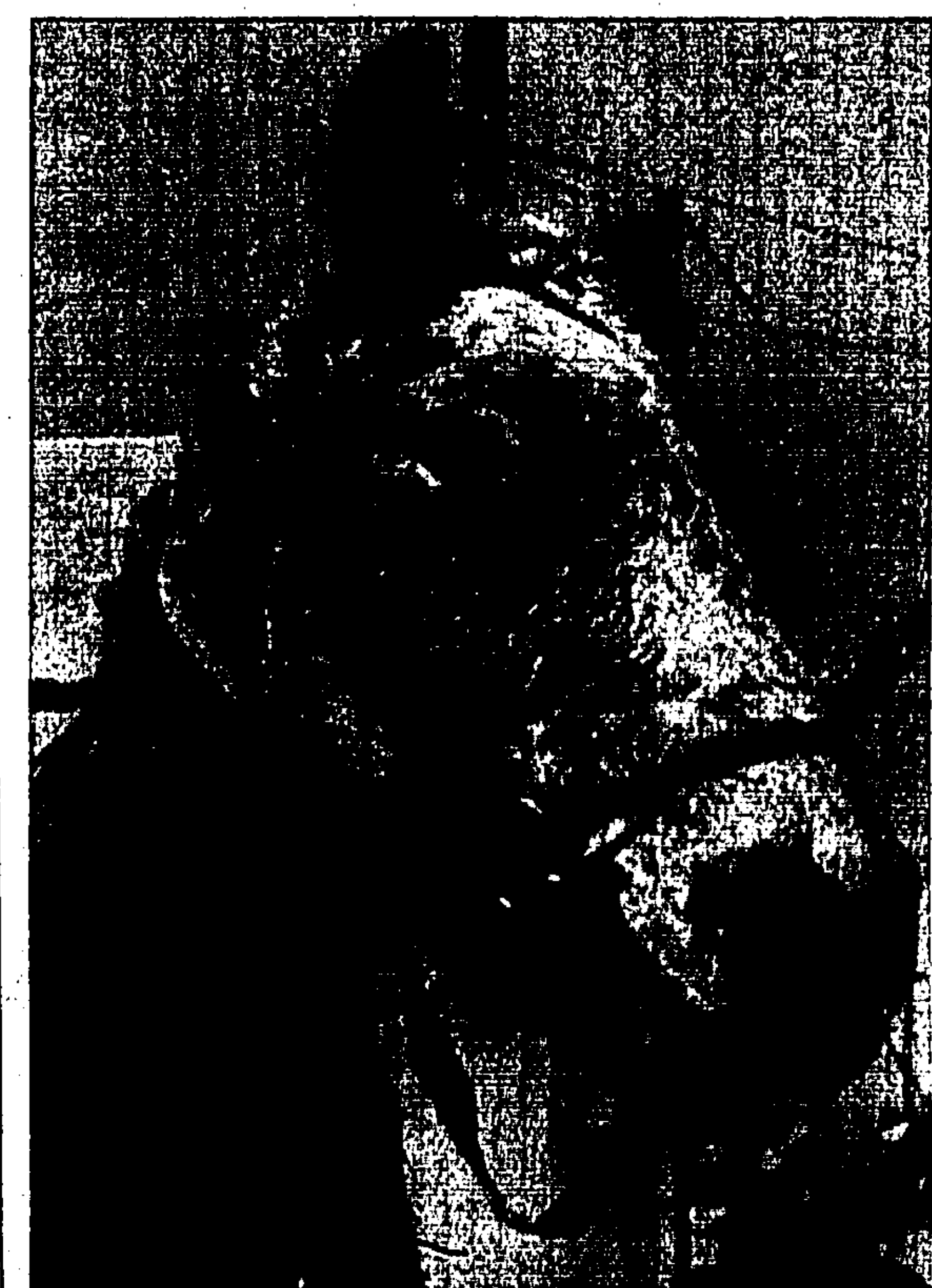
Playing at home to-day, Newport defeated Reading by 3-1 in their re-play in the first round of the F.A. Cup.—Reuter.

starts and it always lacked the pleasing rhythm of the high-stepping Derby five. Hanson and Burgess might be singled out from the rest, but not with any great enthusiasm.

Chief honours fell to the men in the third line, where the nice calculations of Weaver deserved a better result. Woodley could not be blamed for either of the goals in a defence where Barber has not yet regained his normal confidence. Other backs, however, beside Barber will stand in the reflected glory of Duncan.

On to-day's call-over Derby should be favourites for the League championship, but as in the case of the Cup, the Midlanders generally find one to beat them. Acting on that tradition, an old friend of mine laid as much as 100 to 1 at Stamford Bridge last Saturday against Derby winning the Cup this season. The bet was taken, in pence, by a fellow journalist and I know the layer will be glad to pay.

Chelsea: Woodley; Barber, Smith, Altam, Craig, Weaver, Spence, Argue, Payne, Burgess, Hanson, Derby: Boulton; Nicholas, Howe, Hann, Bailey, Ward; Crooks, Astley, McCulloch, Dix, Duncan.



Here's another likely-looking fellow in the bunch of subscription griffins landed in Hongkong last week. Altogether 68 poales were brought down by the Kwangtung from the North for members of the Hongkong Jockey Club.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

# Precedent Is Established In British Tennis

## Miss Gem Hoahing First Chinese Girl Ever To Be Included On Ranking List

By A. Wallis Myers

Miss Gem Hoahing, 17-year-old Chinese girl who is a British subject by birth, recently set a precedent in the history of tennis in England by becoming the first of her race ever to make the British women's tennis ranking list. Only 4 feet, 6 inches tall, diminutive Gem Hoahing has extended some of the best women tennis players in England. She has been regarded as a tennis prodigy for some years and even when she was 15 years old, she has played against the best players in England. She is ranked 11th for 1938. London, Nov. 8.

The official ranking list of players, based on results of singles during the past year, were approved by the Lawn Tennis Association at their meeting in London yesterday. The classification is:—

### MEN

- 1.—H. W. Austin (1)
- 2.—C. E. Hare (1)
- 3.—R. A. Shays (10)
- 4.—D. W. Butler (5)
- 5.—C. M. Jones (7)
- 6.—M. D. Delaford (12)
- 7.—J. S. Oliff (11)
- 8.—H. G. N. Lee (4)
- 9.—E. J. Filby (12)
- 10.—D. MacPhail (9)
- 11.—Nigel Sharpe (—)
- 12.—H. Billington (—)

### WOMEN

- 1.—Miss Margaret Scriven (3)
- 2.—Miss Margot Lumb (11)
- 3.—Miss Mary Hardwick (2)
- 4.—Miss Kay Stammers (4)
- 5.—Mrs. Hammersley (6)
- 6.—Mrs. King (7)
- 7.—Miss V. Scott (—)
- 8.—Miss Jean Saunders (8)
- 9.—Miss Betty Nuthall (—)
- 10.—Miss R. Thomas (—)
- 11.—Miss Gem Hoahing (—)
- 12.—Mrs. McKelvie (—)

The figures in brackets indicate the position in the 1937 list. With the best will in the world, the ranking committee cannot satisfy, or even please, every player who comes into their survey, and their task has been made harder this year because of the wider horizon imposed, and the many "stars" who, sometimes erratically, have passed across it.

The men's list is likely to excite less comment. Austin was the predestined leader. Hare played very little in this country, but he may play more next year, and it is just as well that his skill, which has not yet fully matured, should be recognised. He won more games against Hudge in the American Championship than Austin did in the final at Wimbledon.

TOURNAMENT WINNERS The next four have played regularly throughout the season, and between them have almost cornered the tournament prizes. Shays has jumped up seven places and Delaford six. The best of neither has yet been extracted. Butler and Jones have also advanced. Harry Lee's relatively low position at No. 6 is doubtless due to his business preoccupations. On a non-turf court he might beat any of the seven above him except Austin, and only a few days ago he got the better of Jones in a county match.

None will cavil at Filby's advance. He is the only player in the list who has lowered Austin's colours, and one hopes that his place two-thirds down the list will not preclude his inclusion in international teams next summer.

Billington failed to be ranked last year; this year he comes at the bottom. If doubles were included in the estimate he could not fail to be near the top.

As it is, he is too low down. No. 12 does not do justice to his hand, his head or his heart. A fool-proof classification of women players is impossible, and the committee, I suppose, have made the best of an order which can never be free from anomaly.

MISS KAY STAMMERS' CASE My own impression is that Miss Kay Stammers, despite her variable form early in the year, should be higher. She had a much better record in the Wightman Cup at Wimbledon than Miss Scriven, and she put up a great fight at Forest Hills against the winner of the American Championship, Miss Alice Marble.

No doubt Miss Scriven gets the top place because she won the two British championships—the Hardcourt at Bournemouth, and the Covered Court at Queen's. On turf courts, her achievements have been less impressive.

Miss Betty Nuthall returns to the list, and Miss Scott, Miss R. Thomas, Miss Gem Hoahing and Mrs. McKelvie are newcomers.

Miss Gem Hoahing, by the way, is the first Chinese girl to be included, but as she was born and educated in this country and has made her home here, the precedent is justifiably created.

It may be that Mrs. Ellis, who was formerly Senorita Lizana, and a Scotsman, a British subject, will soon be admitted.

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 1st row: Working into the back of the sts, \*K1, P1. Repeat from \* to the end.  
 2nd row: K1, P1 \*K into the back of the next st, P1. Repeat from \* to the end.  
 Repeat the 2nd row, until 2½ inches of fancy ribbing have been worked, decreasing 1 st by working 2 sts tog at the end of the last row.  
 Change to No. 10 needles, and proceed in pattern as follows:—  
 1st row: K1, \*K8, P3. Repeat from \* to the last 9 sts, K9.  
 2nd row: K1, \*P8, K3. Repeat from \* to the last 9 sts, P9, K1.  
 3rd-10th rows: Repeat the 1st and 2nd rows 4 times.  
 11th row: As the 1st row.  
 12th row: Knit.  
 These 12 rows complete 1 pattern. Increase as follows:—  
 1st row: Increase by working into the front and back of the first st, \*K8, P3. Repeat from \* to the last 9 sts, K7, increase in the next st, K1.  
 2nd row: K2, P8, K3. Repeat from \* to the last 10 sts, P8, K2.  
 3rd row: K1, P1, \*K8, P3. Repeat from \* to the last 10 sts, K8, P1, K1.  
 4th row: As the 2nd row.  
 5th-10th rows: Repeat the 3rd and 4th rows 3 times.  
 11th row: As the 3rd row.  
 12th row: Knit.  
 13th row: Increase in the first st, P1, \*K8, P3. Repeat from \* to the last 10 sts, K8, P1, K1.  
 14th row: K3, \*P8, K3. Repeat from \* to the end.  
 15th row: K1, P2, \*K8, P3. Repeat from \* to the last 11 sts, K8, P2, K1.  
 16th row: As the 14th row.  
 17th-22nd rows: Repeat the 15th and 16th rows 3 times.  
 23rd row: As the 15th row.  
 24th row: Knit.  
 Keeping the continuity of the pattern, continue in this manner, increasing in the first st and last st but one, on the next row and every following 12th row, until there are 123 sts on the needle.  
 Work 5 rows after the last increase row.  
 Shape the armholes as follows: Keeping the continuity of the pattern, turn.  
 1st row: Work to the neck.  
 2nd row: Cast off purwise.  
 Slip the 44 sts from the safety pin on to a No. 10 needle, the point to the centre, join the yellow wool and work the right side of the front as follows: Work 32 rows, thus finishing at the centre edge.  
 Shape the neck and complete as the instructions for the left side of the front, but casting off the shoulder knitwise.

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inches, as worked on the lower edge of the front.

Change to No. 10 needles and repeat the 12 pattern rows once, as worked at the beginning of the front.

Keeping the continuity of the pattern, increase in the first st and last st but one, on the next row and every following 8th row, until there are 80 sts on the needle. Proceed without further increase until the work measures 18 inches from the beginning, finishing so that the right side of the work will be facing when working the next row.

Shape the top as follows: Keeping the continuity of the pattern, cast off 7 sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows, then decrease 1 st at both ends of the next row and every alternate row following, until 58 sts only, proceed in fancy rib for 2½ inches, as worked on the lower edge of the front, decreasing 1 st at the end of the last row.

Change to No. 10 needles, and proceed in pattern as follows:—  
 1st row: K1, \*P3, K8. Repeat from \* to the last 4 sts, P3, K1.  
 2nd row: K1, \*K3, P8. Repeat from \* to the last 4 sts, K4.  
 3rd-10th rows: Repeat the 1st and 2nd rows 4 times.

11th row: As the 1st row.  
 12th row: Knit.  
 These 12 rows complete 1 pattern. Keeping the continuity of the pattern, increase in the first st and last st but one, on the next row and every following 12th row, until there are 107 sts on the needle. Work 5 rows after the last increase row.

Shape the Armholes as follows: Keeping the continuity of the pattern, cast off 7 sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows, then decrease 1 st at both ends of the next row and every alternate row following, until 87 sts remain.  
 Proceed without further shaping, until the armhole measures 2 rows less than that of the front, finishing so that the right side of the work will be facing when working the next row.

Shape the Shoulders as follows: Keeping the continuity of the pattern:—  
 1st and 2nd rows: Work to the last 7 sts, turn.  
 3rd and 4th rows: Work to the last 14 sts, turn.  
 5th row: Work to the last 22 sts, turn.  
 6th row: Work over 13 sts, cast off the following 17 sts, work to the last 22 sts, turn.  
 7th row: Work to the casting-off, turn.  
 8th row: Work 2 sts tog, work to the last 30 sts, turn.  
 9th row: As the 7th row.  
 10th row: Cast off purwise.

11th row: Joining the wool to the remaining sts, work 2 sts tog, work to the last 30 sts, turn.  
 12th row: Work to the casting-off, turn.  
 Cast off knitwise.

## THE LONG SLEEVE

Using No. 11 needles and yellow wool, cast on 54 sts. Working into the back of the sts on the first row only, proceed in fancy rib for 2 inches, as worked on the lower edge of the front.

Cast off in rib, not working into the back of the K sts.

## MAKE-UP

Beginning at the armhole edge, join the shoulders of the back to the

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## MATERIALS:

10 ozs. 4-ply "Excelsior" wool, Hunting Yellow, No. 1037, for long sleeve model, 8 ozs. for short sleeve model.  
 1 oz. 4-ply "Excelsior" wool, Navy, No. 85.  
 1 oz. 4-ply "Excelsior" wool, White, No. 61.  
 1 pair No. 11 knitting needles;  
 1 pair No. 10 knitting needles;  
 1 No. 12 crochet hook; 1 brooch.

## MEASUREMENTS:

Length from top of shoulder to lower edge, 18½ inches; width all round at underarm to fit a 33-34 inch bust; length of sleeve seam, long 18½ inches, short 5 inches.

## TENSION:

Using No. 10 needles, work to produce 7½ sts, and 9½ rows to one square inch in smooth fabric (1 row K, 1 row P).

## ABBREVIATIONS:

K—knit, P—purl, st—stitch, tog—together, d.c.—double crochet.

same number of sts, on the front. Mark the centre of the cast-off edge of the collar and place this to the centre back of the neck. Stitch the collar round the neck to the extreme edge of the front opening.

With the right side of the work facing, using the crochet hook and navy wool, work 1 row of d.c. along the top of the collar and round the edges of the front opening. Fasten off.

Omitting all ribbing, thoroughly press the work on the wrong side, using a warm iron over a damp cloth, pressing out the pattern to its fullest extent, and being careful not to stretch any edges.

Stitch the sleeves into the armholes, slightly easing the fulness of the top of the sleeve into the top of the armhole.

With the right side of the work facing, using the crochet hook and navy wool, work 1 row of d.c. along the lower edge of each sleeve. Fasten off.

Embroider each row of blocks on the front in navy and white alternately in the following manner:—

Using a wool needle and navy wool, begin at the edge of the right side, working a line of chain st. diagonally across the smooth fabric portion of each block down the first line of stripes. Work the chain st. from the upper to the lower edge of each block, the lines being worked from right to left.

Work each line of stripes alternately in navy and white in the same manner, the white line being worked from left to right in each block, as shown in the photograph.

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 Join the side and sleeve seams. Press lightly.

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When it is almost cold, add the raisins, chopped finely, the fruit juice and the yeast. Let it stand for a fortnight and stir thoroughly every day.

Pour the wine into a barrel and add, if you wish, a quart of gin or brandy. An ounce of isinglass should also be added to keep the wine clear.

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As Italian Press Continues Attacks

ROME, Dec. 5. SIGNOR GAYDA, writing in the "Giornale d'Italia" declares that the preordained and organised events in Corsica and Tunis against Italy must be stressed as a fateful sign of the responsibility of France, but they cannot make Italy abandon a policy of inflexibly safeguarding her interests and aspirations.

Signor Gayda points out that Germany is not only on the frontiers of Italy, but the frontiers of France near territory under French sovereignty which is populated by 3,500,000 Germans, and which is rich in iron and potash.

Further press attacks on France spread to-day, meanwhile the admission into Italy of British and French newspapers is banned.

DETENTEMENTAL EFFECT ON APPEASEMENT

London, Dec. 5. Making a statement in the House of Commons to-day, the Premier, Mr. Neville Chamberlain said there was nothing in the Anglo-Italian agreement affecting British obligations to France, and while Tunisia, Corsica and Nice were not specifically mentioned in the negotiations prior to the agreement, they were covered by an annex, which dealt with the maintenance of the status quo in the Mediterranean.

In the view of the demonstration in the Italian Chamber, the British Ambassador to Rome, Lord Perth, had been instructed to represent to Count Ciano that incidents of this kind—unless steps were taken to correct the impression—must have a most detrimental effect on the prospects of collaboration between the four Munich Powers.

From Count Ciano's reply it was clear that the Italian Government did not associate itself with the demonstration, and it had no intention of departing from the undertakings given Britain.

Mr. Chamberlain could see no reason to alter the present arrangements for his visit to Rome.

Mr. Arthur Henderson (Lab) asked whether Mr. Chamberlain would make it clear to Britain that Britain has no intention of sacrificing her friendship with France in order to purchase friendship with Italy, and Mr. Clement Attlee (Lab) asked whether Mr. Chamberlain believed that it was a spontaneous demonstration taking place in Italy under the present conditions.

Mr. Chamberlain replied: "We

### Sets Planes On Fire

Behind barbed wire fences on a secluded estate at White Waltham (Berks.) Government experts will shortly see a demonstration of a death ray.

The inventor, seventy-years-old, self-taught scientist, Mr. Arthur Coxhead, who has worked for more than eight years perfecting his apparatus in part of a dilapidated mansion on the estate, believes that his ray will end war for all time.

In addition to its destructive potentialities, the ray, he claims, can produce rain at will hundreds of miles away.

Mr. Coxhead claims that by using the ray over a part of Berkshire recently he was able to cause a violent storm over Dover.

Mr. Coxhead's apparatus concentrates the sun's heat, directing on the target a thermal ray of intense power.

It is claimed that it would make the iron bulwark of a battleship so hot that nobody could survive on board. Its terrific heat would boil the sea around it, and any ammunition aboard would explode.

If an aeroplane flew into the range, it would burn up like a fly in a candle flame.

"I do not intend it to be used to destroy the human race," Mr. Coxhead said. "I believe there need be no more war."

"I can make rain whenever I please with the ray, and in that way I could prevent war. By operating my apparatus in this field I could set up a terrific storm, which would inundate a whole country overseas."

He has the assurance of the Italian Government, and of course we accept them.

Mr. Chamberlain replied "No" to the Opposition suggestion that the Premier's visit to Rome was made the occasion for inventing and fermenting "spurious grievances in order that redress might be demanded in the name of appeasement."

REUTER.

TENSION INCREASING

Rome, Dec. 5.

Monday has brought a further increase in the Franco-Italian tension, judging by the information gathered from political circles in Rome.

It is said to have been largely brought about by attempts in "certain French quarters" to include the visit of the German Foreign Minister to Paris in the anti-Italian press campaign, and to try and construe this visit as an invitation on the part of Germany to depart from the policy of the Rome-Berlin axis.

The semi-official Giornale d'Italia emphatically denounces these attempts, observing that these French newspapers have apparently failed altogether to understand that Rome and Berlin abound in a spirit which is being directed by the leaders of Italy and Germany.—Trans-Ocean.

### Jurors Weep At Air Liner Crash Inquiry

A Scene of pathos met the eyes of the twelve jurors recently when they stepped from the motor-coach in the lane where the air liner crashed at Jersey.

A child's toy bricks and some other pathetic little playthings lay on the trampled grass among the strips of metal and halfburnt wood.

Also to be seen were a fragment of a woman's bangle, a spectacle case, and a book.

When the jurors returned to view the victims some broke down and wept as they gazed at the bodies.

### MIGHTY FLEET

Enormous Addition By America

London, Dec. 4.

An enormous addition to the naval strength of the United States is fore-shadowed by submission to Congress early next year, reports.

Hector Bywater, the Daily Telegraph naval correspondent, the plan, which, Mr. Bywater is reliably informed from Washington, is likely to be adopted unless there is a speedy and marked improvement in the world situation, provides, he says, for creation of an entirely new battle fleet to be stationed permanently in the Atlantic. Consisting wholly of ships built specially for this service, it would comprise 12 battleships of between 33,000 and 45,000 tons, six aircraft carriers, 17 heavy and 18 light cruisers, 77 destroyers and 38 submarines. Attached to the fleet would be 50 auxiliary vessels such as fast tankers, destroyer, submarine and aircraft depot ships and floating workshops. Estimated cost of the new fleet is £240,000,000.

The first steps have already been taken to prepare for the building of this Atlantic armada. Dockyards on both coasts are being enlarged and modernised at an initial cost of £7,000,000 to equip them for the construction of battleships. Should a new Atlantic fleet be built its completion will make the United States by far the mightiest naval power in the world.

The correspondent also understands that the British navy estimates for 1939 to be presented to Parliament in February provide for considerably larger additions to the fleet than have been expected.

The defensive requirements in European, Eastern and Far Eastern waters have been duly weighed and certain items are likely to cause surprise. It will be found that the British Commonwealth will no longer be disposed to entrust the security of vital trade routes and lines of communication to the goodwill of "foreign Powers. There is evidence that the standard relative naval strength has been revised to conform with changes in the international situation.—Reuter.

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### Experts With Ribbentrop On Paris Visit

Berlin, Dec. 5. The Foreign Minister, Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, who leaves Berlin this evening for Paris, will, it is announced, be accompanied by a Foreign Office expert on international law, Dr. Gauss, as well as by the Director of the Economic Department of the Foreign Office, Dr. Wichl, and head of the Press Department, Dr. Aschmann.

SECRET TIME-TABLE

Paris, Dec. 5.

Utmost efforts are being made to keep secret the time-table of Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, which will be observed here to-morrow with the object of avoiding hostile demonstrations.

Herr Ribbentrop, accompanied by Frau Ribbentrop, is due to arrive at 10 o'clock at the Gare du Nord, and their route to the hotel three minutes away will be through broad avenues.

Officials say this is purely a matter of convenience, but some men in the street consider it to be a tacit admission of the fact that a joint No-War declaration will finally recognise as unalterable the frontiers of France and Germany, secondly to affirm goodwill, and thirdly to include an understanding by the two nations to consult each other in the event of differences, but subject to the condition that third parties may also be consulted.

The fact that Herr Ribbentrop's staff includes Dr. Gauss of the legal section of the Wilhelmstrasse leads to the belief that the talks will cover much larger ground than a mutual "No War" declaration. The suggestion that Herr von Ribbentrop will be asked as a condition for France's signature, for the disavowal by Germany of support for the claims of the Italian irredentism on the Continent, in the Mediterranean and in Africa, can be discounted.—Reuter.

READY FOR VISIT

Paris, Dec. 5. An important council of Ministers will be held to-morrow morning when questions arising from Herr Ribbentrop's visit will be discussed.

The Government will also be informed of the Italian reply to the French protests regarding the Corsica and Tunis incidents.

Another meeting of the Cabinet will be necessary to discuss the parliamentary agenda and to place electoral reform on it.—Reuter.

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# SECRET PARLEYS FOR PEACE REVEALED BY CHINESE AMBASSADOR

## Japanese Proposals Rejected As Not Acceptable: Chiang's Feeler

(Special to "Telegraph")

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.

DR. HU SHIH, Ambassador to Washington, revealed to-day that China made informal and indirect peace offers to Japan after the fall of Canton and Hankow.

However, the Ambassador declared, counter proposals were offered by Japan which could not be accepted honourably and which resulted in a quick decision to continue war.

The Ambassador compared the present conditions in China as similar to those facing the American colonies in 1776.

"Our armies are undergoing hardships and trials in China's Valley Forge."

As certain as the superior condition and strength of armaments of his foes were no match for the indomitable courage of George Washington and the spirit of the Colonial troops and Congress, so certainly will the Japanese man power and the mechanization of her armies prove no match against the courage, national spirit and sacrifices which are inspiring the Chinese armies in their fight to prevent the crushing of a great nation and a great culture."

He revealed the difficulties of conveying supplies over the 3,000 mile road from Indo-China and said that the new road connecting the beleaguered part of China and Burma which has been completed and will be in use before the end of December, is easing the ammunition supplies situation.

Chinese casualties, said Dr. Hu, were more than one million men killed. He added that there are more than sixty million refugees and war victims. "China has no right to expect, now, to have one single American risk his life in the defence of China," he added.—United Press.

### Mistook U.S. Professor For A Chinese

Novel Japanese Excuse For Sentry's Shots

CANTON, Dec. 6. It is revealed that on December 1, Japanese soldiers fired over the head of Professor H. C. Brownell, an American tutor at Lingnan University, while he was investigating the Japanese sentry post on the campus of the American property, which was outside the fence, and which possessed no identifying flag.

Professor Brownell, it is stated, protested to a Japanese officer, who admitted the mistake, but claimed that Chinese soldiers were seen there on November 28.

To the United Press Professor Brownell said yesterday: "They could easily see I was not Chinese."

### More Burglary Cases Reported

The theft of jewellery, money and clothing valued at \$272 from his residence at 5 Calne Road has been reported to the police by Dr. H. L. Lee.

Wong Wing-cheung, Messrs. H. Cornell and Company, agents for the U.S. Mechanical Export Company, China Building, reported that 50 dozen rubber heels, valued at \$120, had been stolen from the stock sometime during the past two months. The loss was discovered yesterday, when a check was made.

### FIRE GUTS SQUATTERS' SLUM CAMP

200 Rendered Homeless In Kowloon

FANNED BY A STIFF WIND, fire this afternoon completely demolished between thirty and forty slum huts erected at Tai Kok Tsui by a number of refugee squatters.

Four engines were turned out by the Fire Brigade in order to quell the blaze.

A few hundred yards away was the Asiatic Petroleum Company's installation, where hundreds of thousands of gallons of inflammable oils are stored.

The oil installation and adjoining property were not at any time in danger however.

The blaze commenced shortly before one o'clock in one of the several communal kitchens where the refugees were cooking their midday congee.

It spread with astonishing rapidity through the dry and rotting rags which constituted the homes of about 200 refugees affected.

The huts were entirely burnt out within half an hour of the commencement of the blaze.

### CONDOR OFF TO MANILA

Tachikawa, Dec. 6. The Condor monoplane which last week established new world records for the flight between Berlin and Tokyo, hopped off from the Tachikawa Airfield, Tokyo, at 5.37 a.m. Tokyo time, en route to Manila.—Domest.

### German In Court For Visa Breach

A German subject, Paul Stefan Locmandi, residing at the European YM.C.A. Kowloon, was summoned before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning for entering the Colony without a valid passport.

Detective-Sergeant P. H. Loughlin said that Locmandi arrived in Hongkong on November 10, and immediately went to the Registration Office to register himself.

His passport contained no British visa, although Locmandi had since obtained one.

Locmandi said he had arrived from Hankow via Haiphong, and was not aware of the new regulation that Austrians and Germans were required to have British visas before entering the Colony. He was cautioned.

### Japanese "Scorched Earth" Policy

KINHW, Dec. 6. BESIDES BURNING down the villages on both sides of the railways, the Japanese have ordered that all trees and shrubs along the Nanking-Shanghai and Shanghai-Hankow Lines be cut down and mud walls be built at vantage points to protect the track. These additional precautions are understood to have been taken on account of the increasing rampancy of Chinese guerrilla activities.—Central News.

## Konoye Seen As Japanese Dictator

TOKYO, Dec. 6.

JAPAN'S POLITICAL LEADERS ARE BELIEVED to have paved the way for the

institution of a Totalitarian system in Japan, with Prince Konoye as virtual dictator of the nation.

The political leaders of the country have finally worked out definite plans for "enlisting" all public bodies in the country into "an organisation for the general mobilisation of the nation in the proposed reconstruction of East Asia."

The plans were approved at a conference of eight Ministers of the Government on Monday and will be made public throughout the Empire in the near future.

According to the present plans, Prince Konoye will become the President of the new organization, while the Home Minister Mr. S. Suetsugu and another prominent figure from civilian circles will be appointed Vice-Presidents.

A Board of directors, in which will be enrolled representatives of various public bodies, will participate in the new movement.

Subject to the jurisdiction of the chairman of the board of directors an administrative bureau will be appointed. It will consist of general affairs, thought, cultural, economic, agricultural, national life, youths and other departments.

### BOARD OF ADVISERS

A board of advisers will be appointed. It will comprise all members of the Cabinet except the Premier and the Home Minister, the President of the House of Peers and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, chiefs of political parties and the Cabinet Councilors. Vice-Ministers of the Government Departments, secretaries-general of political parties, and leaders of various public bodies, will form a board of counsellors. Each Prefecture (Continued on Page 11.)

### LATE NEWS

### Macao Takes Precautions

In view of the tension in Chungshan District following the fall of Kowloon, the Macao military authorities have ordered the defences along the border to be strengthened.

Barbed-wire and sand-bag barricades have been erected, and the border guards have been increased. The frequent cruising of Japanese naval vessels off the coast and the daily reconnaissance of Japanese warplanes are said to have further increased the tension in Chungshan District.

General Chang Wei-cheung, magistrate and concurrently commander of guerrilla units of Chungshan, has ordered the armed forces in the district to take strict precautions against any Japanese invasion. General Chang has returned from a trip to Macao where he conferred with the circles concerned on the relief of war refugees in Chungshan.

More civilians are leaving Shekhi. The buses leaving Shekhi for Macao are fully packed with passengers. Japanese planes have been making daily reconnaissance flights over the Shekhi-Macao highway during the last few days.

### BRITISH C-IN-C ABOARD IDZUMO

The second visit within two days between the Commander-in-Chief of the China Squadron, Sir Percy Noble, and the Japanese Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Okuma, occurred this morning.

The British Admiral visited Admiral Okuma aboard his flagship, the H.M.S. Idzumo.

The conversations lasted approximately two hours.—Reuters. (Further Late News on Page 11.)



CHINESE INTERNEES BEING REMOVED TO the new Concentration camp in Kowloon City this morning. The men were taken off the steamer Li Hong this morning.—Chinese Internees Threaten Hunger Strike—Page 2.

### HONGKONG MARINERS END LONG VOYAGE

A JOURNEY of over 12,000 miles was completed by Captain V. G. Madsen, Mr. A. C. Morgan, and Mr. J. C. Gardner when they stepped from the Changte after she berthed from Australia this morning.

They were respectively master, chief engineer, and wireless operator of the 550-ton dredge Nankin on her recent voyage from Hongkong to Davenport, Tasmania.

The voyage was just another incident in the life of the Nankin, which has fulfilled commissions as far afield as Europe.

It was undertaken on behalf of the Netherlands Harbour Works Company, which secured the contract for deepening and widening the Davenport Harbour.

When that work is completed—about a year hence—the company will seek other contracts in Tasmania before deciding whether to bring the Nankin back to Hongkong or invite offers for her purchase in the south.

The Nankin, according to Mr. Morgan, met only one unusual situation on the way down.

After calls at Manila and Ambon, in the Celebes, she put in at Townsville and at once became one of many ships tied up by the prevailing Australia-wide coal strike.

It was a month before the Nankin could obtain coal and in that time, like the engines in the skeleton train service being conducted in the Commonwealth, she had to resort to burning wood for her lighting and other domestic needs.

Two Months' Trip At length coal was obtained from Newcastle, about 1,000 miles away, and the ship sailed for that same port. There she bunkered again and sailed direct to Davenport.

The trip took approximately two months—from late August to late October.

Three of the Nankin's seven European officers and the Chinese crew joined the Changte in Melbourne for the return trip.

Mr. Morgan said that the Nankin was given a rousing reception at Davenport where the town turned out to greet her. He described Davenport as a pretty place and went to show of Tasmania on a subsequent drive from Davenport to Launceston as even lovelier.

It was his first trip to Australia and Tasmania and he found it a pleasing, refreshing experience.

### 15-Year-Old Girl Shot By Game Hunter

MR. A. VANNINI, of 141-143 Electric Road, has reported to the police that while out shooting game at Sha Kiu, Pingshan District, in the New Territories, on Sunday, he accidentally shot a 15-year-old girl named Li Ting-lin.

The girl was not seriously injured, and was treated at the Un Long Dispensary.

### N. China Puppets At Loggerheads

PEIPING, Dec. 5.

### ACCORDING TO CIRCLES

A who believe that General Doihara will be appointed head of the Asiatic Development Bureau, the emergence of the "Lawrence of Manchukuo" is only being delayed because the Japanese have not yet decided on the exact organisation and powers of the new Government.

The same circles state that Wang Keli-min is definitely considering resigning should Wu Pei-fu be given power without obligation to use the present officials of the Provisional Government.

Government officials hint that such a resignation is a possibility, but they are insistent that Major-General Seichi Kato is still likely to hold considerable power, even though the special military mission is absorbed into the Asiatic Development Bureau.

Officials assert that Major-General Kato is a close friend of General Sunmuan, the new commander of the North China forces, who will possibly be willing to back Kato's political schemes.

It is significant that Japanese circles are not unanimous in the opinion that General Doihara has been chosen for the political key job.

Some Japanese circles agree with certain Chinese circles that the Kato and Wang Keli-min group are now trying to postpone discussions of the presidency until the conference of the United Council on December 22, when the presidential election machine will be started.—United Press.



Miss Elizabeth Knatchbull-Hugessen.

LONDON, Dec. 5. THE ENGAGEMENT is announced between Mr. George Peregrine Young, of the diplomatic service and Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Sir Hugh Knatchbull-Hugessen, former British Ambassador to China, who was shot at and seriously injured by a Japanese bombing plane early this year.

It is stated that the marriage will take place in March next.—Reuter. Mr. Young, who is 30 years of age, and was born at the British Embassy in the United States, is the son of Sir George Young, Bart., and heir to the baronetcy. He was educated at Westminster and Christ Church, Oxford. He was appointed Third Secretary to the Foreign Office in 1931, transferred to Berlin in 1933 and sent to Peiping in 1935.

### Canton Fire Film Goes Round World Back To H.K.

THE SCREENING at the Queen's Theatre as from to-day of the dramatic news-reel record of the burning and Japanese occupation of Canton represents a triumph of modern methods of communication.

Literally, the films now on exhibition in Hongkong have travelled right around the world. When A. T. "News-Reel" Hull arrived in Hongkong from Canton on November 4, after a hazardous journey through Japanese and Chinese lines, he was mortified to learn that the Pan-American Clipper had departed, six hours earlier for San Francisco.

His precious films were despatched to London next morning by an Imperial Airways plane.

They arrived in London just in time to connect with the French liner Normandie, which landed the dramatic record in New York four

days later. From New York the films were rushed by plane across the American continent to San Francisco, after being developed and printed.

In San Francisco, the developed films were placed aboard an outward-bound Clipper and despatched back to Hongkong for screening.

Mr. Hull was notified by cable from New York that he had secured a four-day "scoop" over all competitors in the United States.

The initiative of the distributors RKO Radio, ensures a similar "beat" in Hongkong, where the films have returned after their 24,000 trip around the world.



# KOWLOON BAY INTERNEES THREATEN HUNGER STRIKE ABOARD LI HONG

## Removal Ashore Follows Rumpus

**NINE HUNDRED CHINESE SOLDIERS INTERNED IN THE STEAMER LI HONG IN KOWLOON BAY WERE REMOVED TO A BARBED-WIRE CONCENTRATION CAMP ADJACENT TO THE KOWLOON RIDING SCHOOL THIS MORNING.**

From authoritative sources the "Telegraph" was informed this morning that the removal was hastened by the fact that several hundred of the internees threatened to go on hunger strike.

Several internees, in fact, are reported to have already refused to accept the food offered them aboard the ship.

Official circles are reticent regarding the affair.

The Commissioner of Police, Hon. Mr. T. H. King, denies that there has been any serious trouble of any kind aboard the Li Hong.

"There was a bit of a rumpus shortly after the men were placed aboard the ship last week, but there has been no serious trouble, and none whatever since the men were informed that they were to be taken ashore," he said.

The Colonial Secretary, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, said: "I do not know if there has been a hunger strike—that is rather a big word. Certainly there has been no violence aboard."

"There was a rumour from the start of the men's incarceration, because the cooking arrangements were not suitable, but the men quieted down when they were told they were going ashore."

### REPORTER ORDERED OFF SHIP

A "Telegraph" reporter who visited the Li Hong in Kowloon Bay at noon to-day was summarily ordered to "get off the ship before you get into trouble yourself."

The reporter telephoned that Indian soldiers and British police were closely guarding every deck of the ship. The soldiers were armed with rifles and bayonets.

A large number of Chinese internees were still aboard, although their evacuation to the new concentration camp in Kowloon City had commenced at 10 o'clock.

The Chinese troops are being taken across to the new barbed-wire camp in batches in a junk which is being towed by a police launch.

It is understood that the kitchen and domestic arrangements aboard the Li Hong, which has been laid up near Stonecutters' for over 18 months, have proved inadequate for the task imposed upon them.

The caterer has, as a consequence, had to prepare all meals ashore and then take them out to the internees in a launch.

It is not known whether the internees will be kept permanently at the Kowloon City concentration camp. The Colonial Secretary told the "Telegraph" this morning that the Government could give no information at present on this subject.

## WAR OFFICE APPOINTMENTS

London, Dec. 5. The following appointments are announced by the War Office. Lieut-General W. K. Venning to be Quartermaster-General of the Forces, Lieut-General W. D. S. Browning to be Director-General of the Territorial Army, Lieut-General R. H. Haining, the General Officer Commanding in Palestine, to be G.O.C.-in-Chief of the Western Command, Major-General M. G. H. Barker to be G.O.C. in Palestine and Trans-Jordan, with the rank of Lieut-General, and Major-General G. J. Giffard to be Military Secretary to the Secretary of War, with rank of Lieut-General. The appointments of Lieut-General Haining and Major-General Barker are to date from August, 1939—Reuter.

## No Chinese Official May Refuge in H.K.

Chungking, Dec. 5. No Government official, civil or military, may seek refuge in Shanghai or Hongkong, according to a circular order issued by the Chungking Provisional Headquarters of the President of Military Affairs Commission. This order does not apply in the case of an official "who has special instructions from their superiors or special duties to perform" in the above-mentioned cities. Any official found guilty of violating the order will be severely punished.—Reuter.

## DEANNA DURBIN FANS!

Here's an opportunity to win a beautiful miniature Charlie McCarthy (Majestic) Radio. The rules are quite simple and the competition is open to everyone. The idea is, to send in your definition of "That Certain Age" with a limit of twenty words including the title. Each entry must be accompanied by the stub of an admission ticket purchased at either the Queen's or Alhambra during the engagement of THAT CERTAIN AGE. Each ticket stub entitles you to one entry in the competition. The smartest and snappiest definition wins the radio. Send your entries to General Amusements Ltd., Marina House, and their judgement is final. Entries close Dec. 14, 1938.

Here are a few examples to give you the style:—

"That Certain Age" is when a girl starts letting down her dresses and picking up new ideas.

"That Certain Age" is when we start thinking "Mom" and "Pop" are old fashioned.

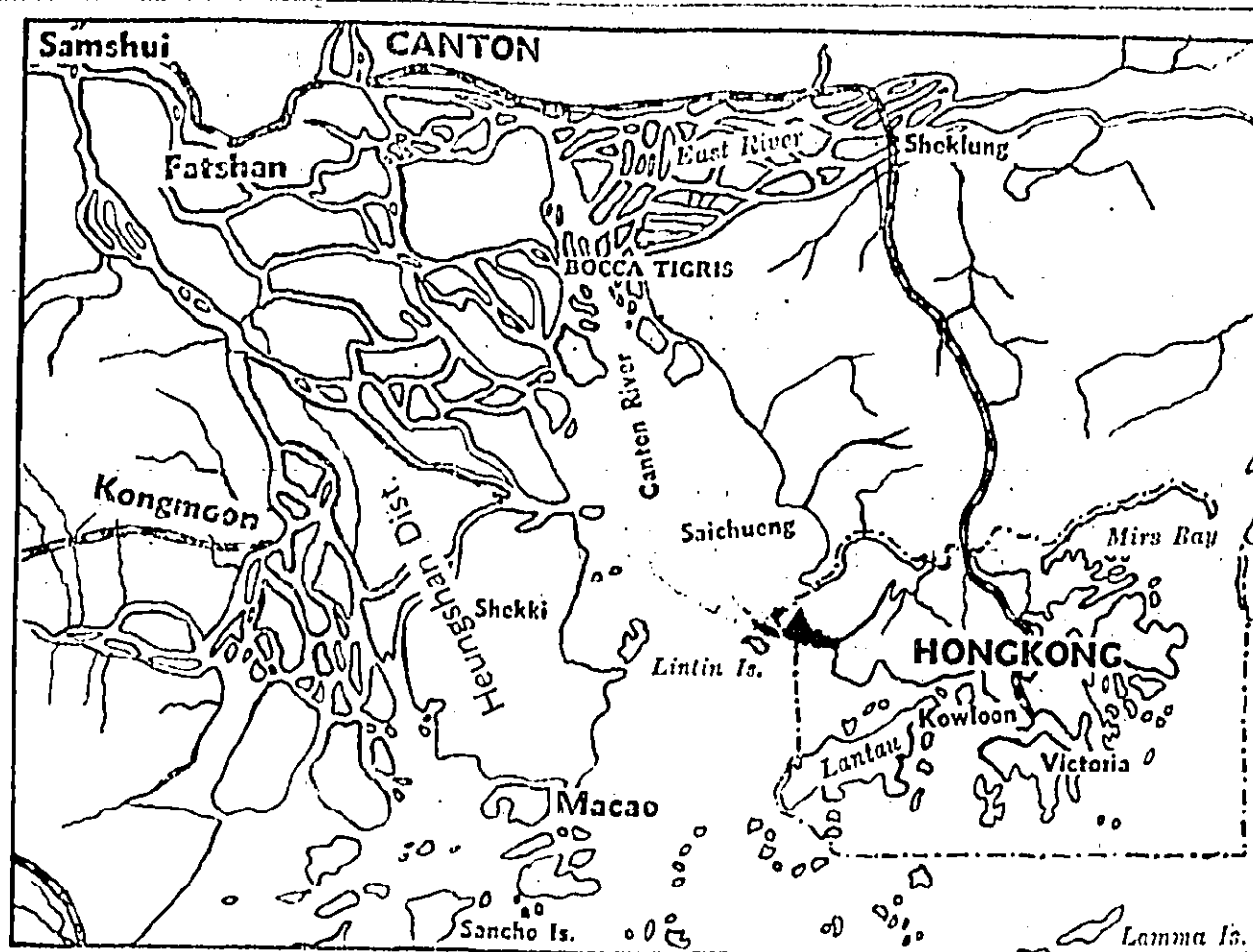
"That Certain Age" is when a girl starts thinking of a certain boy as "that certain boy."

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## West River Treaty Port Evacuated By Chinese

**JAPANESE TROOPS LAST NIGHT OCCUPIED KONGMOON, IMPORTANT TREATY PORT 35 MILES NORTH-WEST OF MACAO.** Kongmoon, which in normal times has a population of 98,000, is the twenty-first treaty port to be occupied since the commencement of hostilities between China and Japan. It was proclaimed a treaty port in March, 1904.

## BRITISH SHIPS CAN'T COMPETE

**Japanese Discrimination In North China**

LONDON, Dec. 5. MR. A. C. MOREING asked in the House of Commons to-day what steps were being taken to remove pressure which had been exercised by the Japanese authorities in North China upon Chinese firms to compel the latter to ship goods in Japanese or German ships instead of British ships.

Mr. R. A. Butler replied that the position was that a ban existed at Chefoo and other ports in Shantung on exports to South China of certain articles, not being the property of Third Power nationals.

In one case which was brought to the notice of the Foreign Secretary (Continued on Page 3.)

According to reliable Chinese sources, the occupation was completed last night after bitter fighting between the opposing forces.

Weight of Japanese artillery, supported heavily by the air arm, finally forced the evacuation of the West River city by the defenders.

Sunwul, famous home town of tens of thousands of overseas Chinese in every part of the world, is now threatened by the invading forces.

With the fall, in rapid succession, of Kowloon and Kongmoon, the Chungshan district has been practically isolated from the rest of Kwantung.

The Japanese have almost completely cut off Macao, the Portuguese Colony, from the interior.

Martial law has been declared throughout the Chungshan district.

Gunfire is audible in Chungshan, from where hundreds of refugees are pouring into Macao.

Dynamite squads are laying charges under all bridges and culverts in anticipation of a rapid Japanese drive south-eastwards.

**KOWKONG IN FLAMES**

"Central News" reports that only about 500 out of 100,000 civilians in Kowkong were able to escape when the town was occupied by the Japanese.

Mr. Chan Quan-fai, chairman of the Kowkong Chamber of Commerce, who arrived in Hongkong yesterday, makes this statement.

When he left Kowkong, Mr. Chan said, the town was enveloped in flames.

He said that the Japanese attack on Kowkong came suddenly and consequently the civilians could not evacuate in time.

Relief measures for the refugees in Kowkong are being contemplated by the Kowkong Guild in Hongkong, but as all communications with the town have been severed, it will be difficult to carry out these measures.

According to another informant from Kowkong, the Chinese forces, which withdrew to Kunshan, to the north-west, have started a counter-offensive on the Japanese.

Fighting is said to be raging in the vicinity of Taitung, midway between Kowkong and Kunshan.

The Japanese in Kowkong, in the meantime, are erecting defences in anticipation of Chinese counter-attacks.

A report from Shekki reveals that following the fall of Kowkong, tension in Chungshan district has been increased. Exodus of civilians to Macao via Shekki is again under way.

### PO ON RE-OCCUPIED BY CHINESE

Po On has been re-occupied by the Chinese, according to passengers who arrived here from that town aboard the s.s. Po On yesterday.

The town, they said, is now in a devastated state, all valuables having been taken away by the Japanese upon their withdrawal.

The s.s. Po On resumed its run between Hongkong and Po On yesterday. It left early in the morning for Po On with 150 passengers aboard and returned to Hongkong in the afternoon with about 20 passengers.—Central News.

## MANY DIE IN JAPANESE AIR RAIDS

**West River Centres Are Bombed**

Wuchow, Dec. 6. A HEAVY CIVILIAN toll and huge property losses were caused in Siuhing on the West River above Samshui and Liuchow, important city in central Kwangsi, yesterday, when Japanese bombers subjected the two cities to severe attacks.

Several other towns on the West River were also raided.

Siuhing was raided three times by 19 machines in several squadrons, which rained between 70 and 80 high explosives inside the city.

Residences, shops and schools in the densely-populated areas were reduced to ruins, burying many people alive.

Relief workers raced against time to rescue the wounded and extricate the dead from under the debris.

The air raid is said to be the severest Siuhing has ever experienced.

After their attack on Siuhing, the Japanese raiders bombed Samyungchun, Lockpu and Yuhing, above Siuhing on the West River, where they released a total of 30 missiles.

Shapinghu, on the south bank of the West River opposite Kowkong, was also bombed by Japanese aircraft which dropped four bombs setting fire to scores of houses.

Nine Japanese bombers raided Luchoo in Kwangsi, where they dumped more than 100 high explosives and incendiary missiles.

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- F522 (Sweet Georgia Brown. (Wabash Blues.
- F545 (I Heard a Song in a Taxi. (Breakfast in Harlem.
- F502 (Sing Baby Sing. (Bye Bye Baby. HARRY ROY'S ORCHESTRA.
- F550 (Alexanders Ragtime Band. (I Can't Give You Anything But Love.
- F741 (Who. (Loveless Love.
- F700 (Dash Street Blues. (It Don't Mean a Thing. JOE DANIELS & HIS HOT SHOTS IN DRUMMASTICKS.
- F555 (I Saw a Ship A-sailing. (In an Old Cathedral Town.
- F582 (So Rare. (On the Avenue.
- F910 (Can I Forget You. (You're Here, You're There.

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## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWERS TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS

1-Professionals

2-King of candy

3-Nourishing food

4-Wind blows

5-Train of thought

6-Disenchantment

7-Blatant

8-Only crone

9-Quintessence

10-Family of birds

11-Base metal

12-Disorder

13-Event

14-Boiler name

15-Ferns again

16-Little island

17-Weatherings

18-Certainty to be true

19-Yare

20-Civil service (abbr.)

21-Prime quality

22-Preceding

23-Enquirer's dwelling

24-Automobile wheel

25-Cash

26-Yachts

27-Civilian

28-Boat

29-Culprit

30-Cotton and wool

31-In logic valid mood

32-American poet

33-Imitative reality

34-Down

1-Perfection

2-Strong brew

3-Make narrow

4-Illegitimate

5-Overpowered

6-More tame

7-Come into operation

8-Rectangle

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# DALADIER TO VISIT CORSICA, TUNIS

## Goodwill Tour Reply To The Irredentists

### APPEALS TO SANG FROID OF THE POPULATION

### No French Territory To Be Conceded

PARIS, Dec. 5.  
**OFFICIAL INTIMATION** was made here to-day that M. Edouard Daladier, the French Premier, will make a goodwill tour of Corsica and Tunis during the January recess of the French Chamber.

This planned journey is regarded in political circles as a reply to the irredentist outburst in the Italian Chamber last week.

A semi-official statement says that the French nation has identified itself with the demand put forward by Sunday's demonstrations in Corsica and Tunisia calling upon the Government to safeguard at all costs the complete inviolability of all French territory.

At the same time, it is added that the French Premier has exhorted the population of Corsica and Tunis to remain calm and cool-headed, and to refrain from further demonstrations, as these might have the effect of bringing the nation into disrepute.

Prominent members of a society which had been formed to promote Franco-Italian relations, hounded in their resignations to-day as a protest against the outburst in the Italian Chamber. M. Theodore Valensi, a Chamber Deputy who was born in Tunisia, has resigned his post as Honorary President of the Parliamentary group which was engaged in fostering Franco-Italian relations. Similarly the Commander-in-Chief of the French forces in Thibet, and vice-Chairman of the City Council of Tunis, has resigned from the post of President of the Franco-Italian League of Tunis.—*Trans-Ocean*.

#### PREMIER'S THANKS

Paris, Dec. 5.  
M. Daladier intends to visit Corsica

and Tunis during the Chamber's January recess, it is officially announced.

The statement thanks public bodies and private individuals for the thousands of telegrams voicing the attachment of France, and it says that these are the best response to the demonstrations which have already led to necessary protests, and to which the Italian Government has declared itself to be entirely foreign.

The announcement continues: "Is there need to add that these demonstrations would come against the determined will of Frenchmen to ensure respect by every means for the absolute integrity of all territories flying the national flag. The Prime Minister appeals to the calm, sang froid inhabitants of Corsica and Tunis to abstain from any manifestation which could only be harmful to the dignity and nobility of their patriotism."—*Reuter*.



THESE THREE INTREPID young men intend to cross the Pacific from Hongkong in a junk. On the left is Richard Halliburton, and with him John Potter and R. Chase, the latter two having just arrived by Clipper in Hongkong when this photograph was taken yesterday.

### Hungary Calls Men To Colours

Budapest, Dec. 5.  
The Government Party will reintroduce a general compulsory military service in Hungary this evening. All men between the ages of 18 and 60 will be liable for military service. In the event of war, all men and women between the ages of 14 and 70 will be liable for national service.—*Trans-Ocean*.

#### POLICE OFFICER IMPROVING

It was learned this morning that the condition of Sergeant Terrett, who was wounded by a Chinese on Saturday morning, is much better, though he is not yet out of danger.

### ITALIANS BARRED IN SHANGHAI'S BLOOD ALLEY

#### Strict Measures Adopted By Authorities

SHANGHAI, Dec. 6.  
WHERE BLOOD flowed on Sunday night, wine was freely spilled last night in the "Blood Alley" cabarets.

The Frisco Cabaret, which on Sunday night resembled a hurricane-swept wreck, is at present functioning smoothly due to repair gangs working all day long. The cabaret is displaying new chairs and tables, and new huge plate-glass windows, which, as a precautionary measure, are shuttered on the outside.

Russian guards were also stationed in the doorways last night. However, the rest of "Blood Alley" showed no signs of special precautions, though servicemen of all nationalities were sitting in the cabarets discussing the bloody battle, and hoping to see some more excitement.

No trouble was expected due to the fact that the Italian authorities

#### BRITISH SHIPS CAN'T COMPETE

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shipment in a foreign vessel was permitted, although the goods were apparently Chinese-owned.

Representations had been made to the Japanese authorities in China, and the Japanese Government, both with regard to interference with trade in British ships, and discrimination in favour of a foreign vessel.—*Reuter*.

#### URGENT BRITISH REPRESENTATIONS

London, Dec. 5.  
Replying to the suggestion by Sir Walter Smiles that the Japanese navy authorities at Tsingtao no longer objected to British ships berthing at the wharfside, and that subordinate Japanese officials were making a large profit from lighterage charges, which the Japanese Naval Mission at Tsingtao compelled British owners to pay, Mr. R. A. Butler in the House of Commons to-day replied:

"As a result of representations, the Japanese naval authorities at Tsingtao have undertaken that if conditions permit, to arrange the matter satisfactorily as soon as possible. The British Government expects this assurance will be implemented at an early date. I understand that following complaints of excessive lighterage charges, the Japanese authorities in Tsingtao recently investigated the affairs of the Lighterage Company, and some reorganisation has been effected."

Mr. R. A. Butler added that urgent representations had been made to the Japanese Government that British ships be allowed to berth at the commercial harbour in Tsingtao, but he had not yet obtained a satisfactory reply.—*Reuter*.

### Distressing Increase In British Unemployed

London, Dec. 5.  
Official returns show registered unemployed in Great Britain on November 14 at 1,828,103, which was 40,870 more than on October 17, and 328,900 more than on November 15, 1937.—*Reuter Special*.

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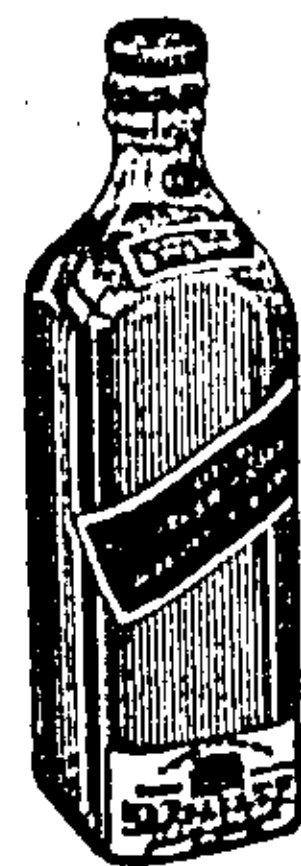
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All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISYA.  
Hongkong, 5th December, 1938.

## MANILA SHARES

The following quotations were received after the close of the morning session through Reuters:

Business Done	Prices in Pesos
Dec. 5, Dec. 6	
Antamok	41% Unq.
Alok	28 1/2 Unq.
Banilo Gold	24 1/2 Unq.
Banquet Cons.	13.00 13.10
Coco Grove	5 1/2 Unq.
Consolidated Mines	0.035 Unq.
Demonstration	Unq. 2 1/2
I.X.L.	Unq. 12
Paracale	Unq. 1.00
San Maurice	1.00 1.00
Suyo	1.00 1.00
United Paracale	21 1/2 Unq.

The following is Swan, Culbertson & Fritz' report on this morning's market:

The Manila market held a quiet but steady session with practically all stocks unchanged. However, Benguet Consolidated showed a gain of 10 points, while Coco Grove showed a loss of one point.

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IN H.K.Yesterday's Ceremony  
At Taikoo

Built to the order of the Straits Steamship Co., Ltd., Singapore, the single-screw motor vessel Pahang was launched from the establishment of the Taikoo Dockyard and Engineering Co., Ltd. on Monday, the naming ceremony being carried out by Mrs. A. E. H. Phillips, wife of the manager of the Taikoo Refinery.

The dimensions of the vessel are 210'0" by 30'6" by 13'4 1/2" and she has two complete decks and fore-castle, a double bottom for the carriage of oil fuel, two large cargo holds with large hatches served by four electric cranes, and one special derrick for heavy lifts operated by electric winch. The windlass, steering gear and warping winch are all electrically driven.

First class passenger accommodation is provided in cabins amidships with saloon and lounge adjoining. Second class passengers are housed at after end of shelter deck. Captain and officers are berthed amidships and crew and petty officers in fore-castle and shelter 'tween deck. Unberthed passengers will be carried 'tween deck.

The vessel has been designed for service in the East Indian Archipelago, is classed under British Corporation, and meets all the arrangements of the Board of Trade.

The propelling machinery, which is fitted aft, consists of one vertical single-acting, four-stroke cycle, diesel injection marine Diesel engine by Messrs. Humboldt-Deutzmotoren, Köln, giving a normal output of 750 B.H.P. at 250 R.P.M.

Two 50 K. W. Diesel-driven generators will supply direct current at an E.M.F. of 220 volts for a complete installation of electric driven auxiliary machinery, deck cranes, and steering gear, together with the ship's lighting.

It is expected that the Pahang will be ready for service in February.

Commons And  
Gen. Franco's  
"Mistake"

London, Dec. 5.  
The seizure of ships by the naval forces of General Franco was again raised in the House of Commons at question time. The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs was asked if General Franco had given any explanation of the mistake he had admitted, regarding the arrest and detention of two Greek ships under charter for transport on behalf of the British Government, of wheat purchased in Rumania.

Mr. R. A. Butler replied that full information has not been received from the British Agent at Burgos. Regarding other ships under detention, in the cargoes of which British merchants hold an interest, Mr. Butler assured the Opposition Leader that these cases were being actively pursued and he sincerely hoped the Government would receive satisfaction.—British Wireless.

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WHEN the Changte berthed at Holt's wharf this morning, an ambulance car was on the wharf to meet it, in response to a radio report that there was a case of measles aboard.

The victim was the young daughter of Mrs. C. J. Attfield, Miss A. V. Attfield, who became afflicted three days before the boat berthed.

Mrs. Attfield, with her daughter and young son, has come to Hongkong to join her husband, Major Attfield, who arrived by the Taiping early in November and is now with the Kumaon Rifles.

Other passengers on board were Mrs. K. G. Blair, who returned to Hongkong after a holiday visit to Australia; Miss J. M. McLaren, daughter of Sir John Gilbert McLaren, K.C., C.M.G., formerly of Australia House, London, who has come from Sydney to spend a vacation with her brother-in-law and sister, Major and Mrs. A. F. H. Godfrey, Stanley Barracks; Mr. G. J. M. Lander, who has come from New Zealand to be engineer with Messrs. Butterfield and Swire for five years; Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Gordiner, of Sydney, who are touring China and Japan; Miss K. C. Hall, England, commercial artist, who has been touring the world for the last two years; and Mrs. P. B. Bishop, of Melbourne, who is on a holiday visit to her daughter, Mrs. N. Stockton.

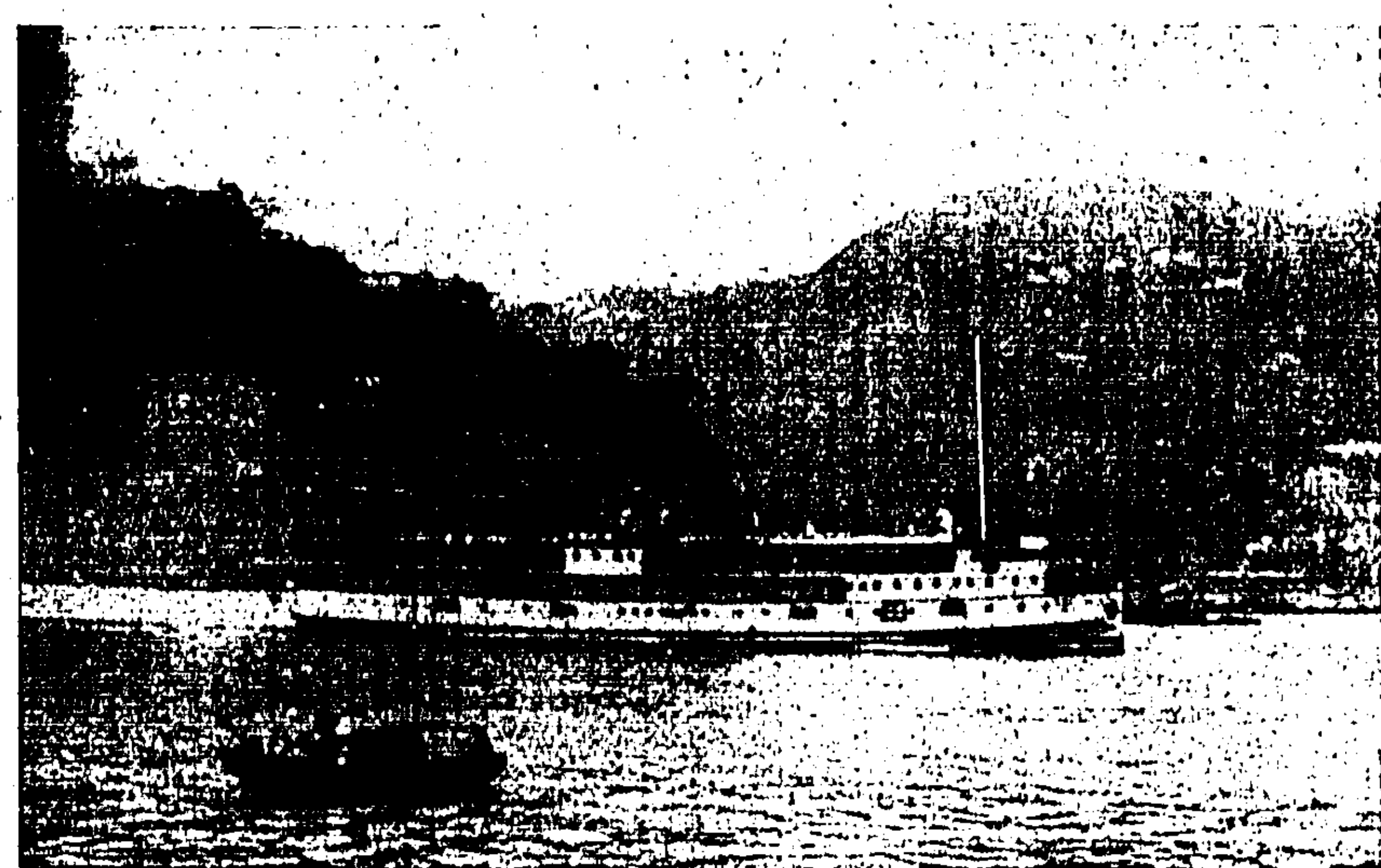
Other arrivals by the Changte were Mr. C. K. McDonald, of Sydney, Dr. W. T. M. Moor, of Sydney; Mr. Mak Ying Tsun, of Sydney; Mr. Chan Man, of Sydney; Mr. W. G. C. Ham, of Melbourne; Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Chapman, of Sydney; Mr. L. H. Timbrell, of Brisbane; Mr. Low Fong, of Townsville, and Mr. Edward Sunn, of Townsville, and 33 steerage passengers.

NEW C.I. FOR  
MALAYA

London, Dec. 5.  
The Colonial Office has announced that Mr. K. E. Poyser, Puisne Judge in Ceylon, has been selected for the appointment of Chief Justice to the Malaya States, in succession to Sir Roger Hall, who is retiring.—Reuter.

M.C.L. CHRISTMAS  
DRIVE POSTPONED

The Christmas Bazaar, Mahjongg and Whist Drive of the Prison Branch of the M.C.L., which was to have been held to-morrow at Stanley, has been postponed until the first Wednesday in January.



The first regular river-service steamer to ply between Hongkong and Canton since the fall of the Kwangtung capital left Hongkong during the week end, and this picture shows the Fatsan, well-known river steamer leaving Hongkong on the up-river trip, which was completed without incident.

Hongkong's Winter Drought:  
24 Successive Fine DaysDRAMATIC  
TRIAL  
IN PARISWhite Russian Mystery  
May Be Cleared Up

PARIS, Dec. 5.

THE TRIAL in absence of General Skoblin, who is believed to have fled to Soviet Russia, and of General Skoblin's wife, Mme. Plevitz Kaja, who appeared in the dock dressed completely in black, began here to-day before the Court of Assizes.

General Skoblin and his wife are accused of complicity in the abduction of the White Russian, General von Miller who disappeared under mysterious circumstances about a year ago.

It is regarded as practically certain that General von Miller was kidnapped by Ogan agents and was probably subsequently murdered, thus suffering the same fate as General Kutupoff.

The French police authorities are convinced that Mme. Plevitz Kaja knows a great deal about the abduction of General von Miller and probably also about the mysterious disappearance of General Kutupoff, but they entertain little hope that Mme. Plevitz Kaja will make any sensational revelations in the course of the trial.

Some fifty witnesses will be heard by the Court.

The wife of General von Miller has filed a petition against Mme. Plevitz Kaja and will appear before the Court on her own behalf. The trial is expected to last about eight days.—Trans-Ocean.

Britain's  
Suez Canal  
Holdings

## Valuable Investments

London, Dec. 5.  
The following information about the Suez Canal Company was given by Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer during question time in the House of Commons to-day.

He said there are seven British directors, apart from three British Government directors. All the directors are appointed by shareholders on the nomination of the Board.

When a vacancy occurs among the unofficial British directors, the name of a successor is customarily submitted by the remaining unofficial directors.

Each director holds 800 shares. The British Government holds 353,504 shares. The shares purchased in 1876 by the Treasury were 176,002 shares of the nominal value of 500 shares each, and the cost at the old par value of £25.22, was £4,479,000. In 1936 they were worth £22,049,000 and in 1937 they were valued at £19,075,000.

The percentage of the last three amounts to the costs in sterling were respectively 50.1, 53.2 and 48.5 per cent.—Reuter Special.

## HONGKONG'S winter drought

has set in earnest, yesterday being the 24th consecutive rainless day the Colony has experienced since November 11, and the rainfall, which totals 55.34 inches, is now 28.87 inches below average.

In fact since October 5, there have been only 11 wet days, which produced a total of 2.56 inches. During the 61 days between September 5 and November 6, 50 out of the 61 days were rainless.

Yesterday's temperatures were higher than for the previous 24 hours, the maximum being 78 and the minimum 64. At 10 o'clock this morning the temperature was 68 and the humidity 70 per cent.

The Royal Observatory's weather report issued this morning stated that the anti-cyclone over China has decreased slightly in intensity; the northern depression is situated over the Pacific to the north-east of Hokkaido, and the southern depression is approaching the Visayas on a westerly track.

Local forecast is:—North-east winds, fresh; fair.

Experts With  
Ribbentrop On  
Paris Visit

Berlin, Dec. 5.  
The Foreign Minister, Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, who leaves Berlin this evening for Paris, will be accompanied by a delegation of German experts on international law, Dr. Gauss, as well as by the Director of the Economic Department of the Foreign Office, Dr. Wiedl, and head of the Press Department, Dr. Aschmann.

## SECRET TIME-TABLE

Paris, Dec. 5.  
Utmost efforts are being made to keep secret the time-table of Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, which will be observed here to-morrow with the object of avoiding hostile demonstrations.

Herr Ribbentrop, accompanied by Frau Ribbentrop, is due to arrive at 10 o'clock at the Gare des Invalides, instead of the Gare du Nord, and their route to the hotel three minutes away will be through broad avenues.

Officials say this is purely a matter of convenience, but some men in the street consider it is to facilitate the avoidance of incidents.

All that can be gathered in official circles is that a joint No-War declaration will firstly recognize as unalterable the frontiers of France and Germany, secondly to affirm goodwill, and thirdly to include an understanding by the two nations to consult each other in the event of differences, but subject to the condition that third parties may also be consulted.

The fact that Herr Ribbentrop's staff includes Dr. Gauss of the legal section of the Wilhelmstrasse leads to the belief that the talks will cover much larger ground than a mutual "No War" declaration. The suggestion that Herr von Ribbentrop will be asked as a condition for France's signature, for the disavowal by Germany of support for the claims of the Italian irredentism on the Continent, in the Mediterranean and in Africa, can be discounted.—Reuter.

READY FOR VISIT  
Paris, Dec. 5.  
An important council of Ministers will be held to-morrow morning

THE  
SANDYS  
CASE ECHOCommons Approves The  
Report Of Select  
Committee

LONDON, Dec. 5.

THE HOUSE of Commons, on the motion of the Prime Minister, adopted unanimously the report of the Select Committee on the Official Secrets Act dealing with the "Sandys Case," and also passed unanimously a resolution constituting a committee for the purpose of enquiring into the applicability of the Act to Members of Parliament.—Reuter.

## NO IMPROPER PRESSURE

London, Dec. 5.  
The position of M.P.s in relation to the Official Secrets Act came up for renewed discussion in the House of Commons to-night on two motions, one reconstituting the Select Committee which served in the last session, and the other, receiving an interim report of the committee published last October, which dealt chiefly with the Sandys case.

The Prime Minister said the questions at issue were of considerable moment to the House, and it was desirable that the matter of the responsibilities of M.P.s who came into possession of secret information should be cleared up, as it would be in the final report of the Select Committee.

Regarding the interim report, Mr. Chamberlain thought it established that there had never been any deliberate intention on the part of any Minister to exercise an improper pressure on Mr. Sandys. He urged the House to accept the report.

If the Select Committee in their final report were able to give the House some general guidance on the questions at issue, it might be hoped for the future that there would be no recurrence of an incident such as the Sandys case.

Mr. Wedgwood Benn (Labour) considered the essence of the matter was the provision in the Bill of Rights that debates and proceedings of Parliament should not be challenged or impeached in any place outside Mr. Winston Churchill said he accepted the report with great cordiality.—British Wireless.

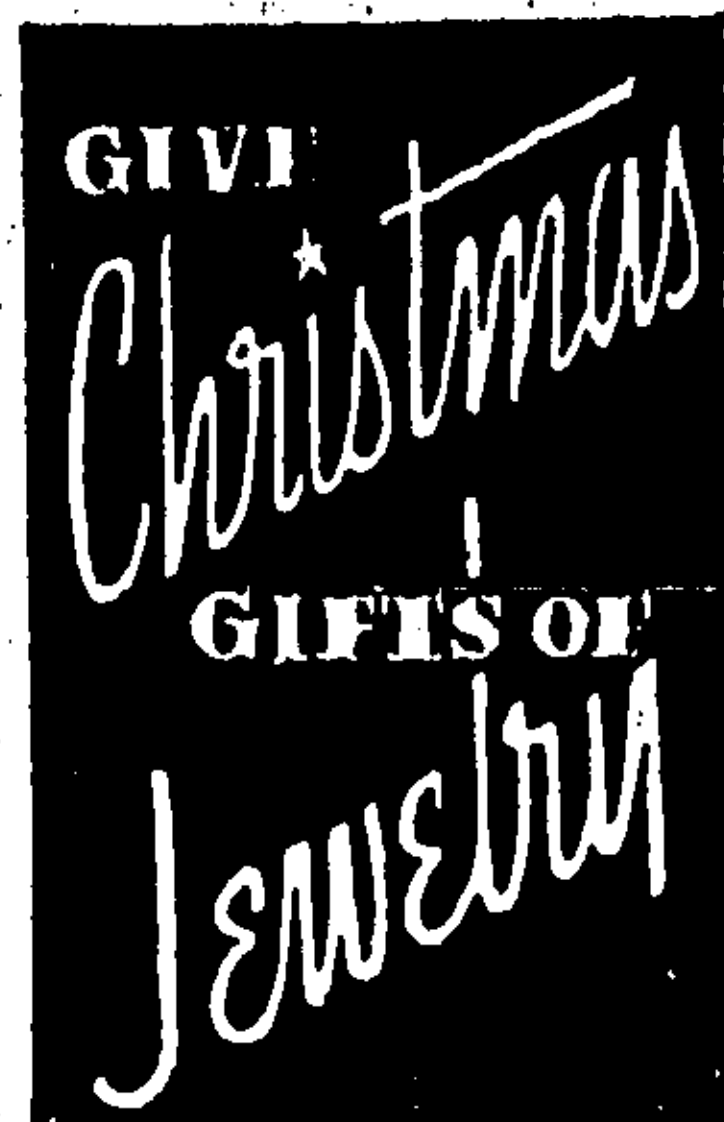
QUEEN MAUD  
FUNERAL

Telegraphic information has been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies that the funeral of Her late Majesty the Queen of Norway will take place on Thursday.

All flags on Government buildings and launches will be flown at half-mast from 8 a.m. to sunset on that day.

When questions arising from Herr Ribbentrop's visit will be discussed. The Government will also be informed of the Italian reply to the French protests regarding the Corsica and Tunis incidents.

Another meeting of the Cabinet will be necessary to discuss the parliamentary agenda and to place electoral reform on it.—Reuter.



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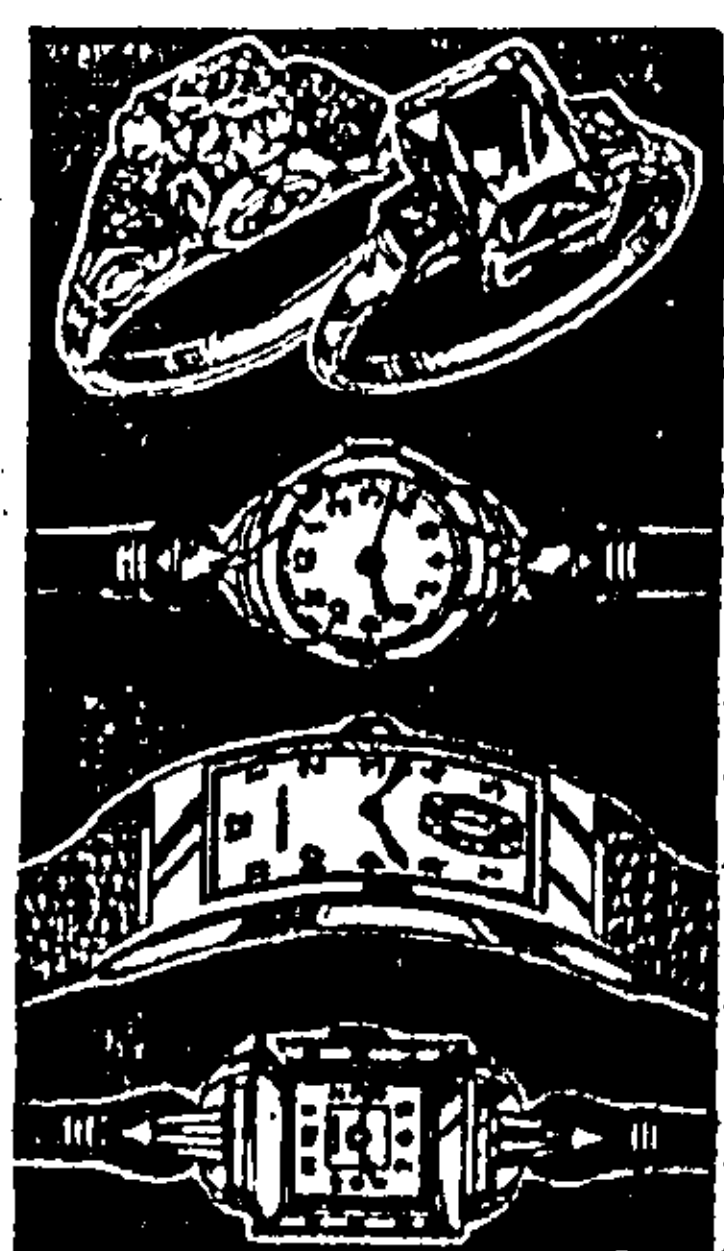
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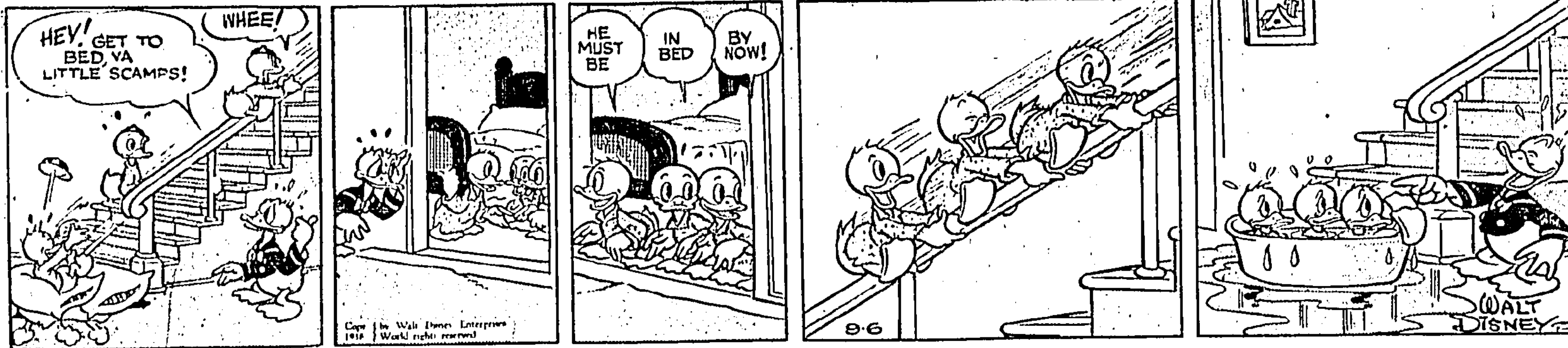
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LONDON, Dec. 5.  
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interpreting the wishes  
of the people of this country  
if I say that if any other  
part of the British Common-  
wealth is attacked, we  
should, without hesitation,  
go to its aid," declared Mr.  
Neville Chamberlain in  
answer to Mr. Arthur  
Henderson.

The Labour leader asked  
whether the Premier was  
aware of the recent declara-  
tion by General Hertzog to  
the effect that each  
Dominion should do as it  
likes in the event of Britain  
being involved in war.  
Cheers greeted Mr. Cham-  
berlain's announcement to  
the House that after the  
demonstration in the Italian  
Chamber, Lord Perth saw  
Count d'Ino.

# BIG NAVAL INCREASE PREDICTED FOR H.K.

## Noted Naval Correspondent Sends Special Message to "Telegraph"

(Special to "Telegraph")

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LARGE ADDITIONS to British naval  
strength in the Far East are envisaged by Mr.  
Hector C. Bywater, Naval Correspondent of the  
London "Daily Telegraph & Morning Post."

Following publication in the Final Edition of the  
"Hongkong Telegraph" yesterday of Mr. Bywater's  
forecast that the British naval estimates which will be  
presented to Parliament next February provide for  
considerably larger additions to the British Fleet than  
has been expected, the "Hongkong Telegraph" cabled  
Mr. Bywater, asking if he would be good enough to  
amplify his statement with particular reference to the  
position in the Far East.

In his reply, received early  
this morning, the noted Naval  
Correspondent predicts that the  
present naval strength of five  
cruisers, one aircraft carrier, a  
destroyer flotilla, and a sub-  
marine flotilla in Hongkong will  
be considerably increased under  
the new estimates.

"The present standard of relative  
strengths between Britain's  
and other fleets, which provides  
for a maximum of 60 modern  
and ten old cruisers, is no  
longer considered adequate to  
meet defence requirements in  
Europe, the Near East and the  
Far East," Mr. Bywater cables.  
The plans include a consider-  
able strengthening of the position  
in the Far East, and items with  
reference to Hongkong and  
Singapore are likely to create  
considerable surprise when the  
estimates are introduced.

In addition to radical increases in  
fleet strength and personnel, Mr.  
Bywater reveals in his cable that the  
new naval plan envisages the con-  
struction of a group of powerful  
ocean-going tugs, which will be used  
at all stations for salvage purposes.

**BATTLESHIPS FOR SINGAPORE**  
Although the great Singapore Dock  
is already completed, and is capable  
of docking Britain's largest battle-  
ship, no attempt has yet been made  
to create a new Pacific squadron  
which will be based ultimately at  
Singapore.

Presumably, one of the surprises  
to which the Naval Correspondent  
refers relates to the birth of this  
Pacific squadron, which is almost  
certain to include one or two  
battleships.

They will be the first British ships  
exceeding 10,000 tons (with the  
exception of aircraft carriers) to be  
based in the Pacific.

The present British naval strength  
in the Pacific, excluding the Royal  
Australian Navy, is as follows:  
Cruisers: H. M. ships Kent, Suffolk,  
Dorsetshire, Birmingham and Cardiff.  
Aircraft Carrier: H. M. ship Duncan.  
Destroyers: H. M. ships Duncan,  
Decoy, Dainty, Defender, Diana,  
Dellat, Duchess, Diamond, Darling,  
Westcott.

Submarines: H. M. ships Medway  
(depot ship), Odin, Odis, Olympus,  
Orpheus, Perseus, Porpoise, Phoenix,  
Pandora, Proteus, Rainbow, Rover,  
Regent, Regulus, Grampus, Rorqual.  
All these ships are based at Hong-  
kong. In addition there are several  
small gunboats attached to the West  
River and Yangtze Patrol.

H. M. S. Herald is used for survey  
work. H. M. S. Thetis and H. M. S.  
Thetis are attached to the Hong-  
kong Defence Flotilla.

### HAINAN TENSION IS EASED

Holhow, Dec. 6.  
Tension at Hainan Island has been  
considerably eased after the departure  
of ten Japanese warships.—Central  
News.

## Roosevelt's Defence Of Democracy

Caper Hills, N. Carolina, Dec. 5.  
President Roosevelt, in a broad-  
cast address to the University of  
North Carolina to-day defended his  
democratic policy, declaring: "There  
may be those in the world who be-  
lieve that regimented people, whose  
very thought and action is directed  
by one man, may give to some  
people a type of security which is  
pleasing to them. But whatever  
convictions I have, none is stronger  
than my abiding belief that the  
security and well-being of the  
American people can best be served  
by democratic purposes, which have  
made this country strong and great."

"The future rests not on a chance  
alone, not on mere smugness, nor  
on fatalism, but on the affirmative  
action which we take in America."

"What America does, or fails to do  
in the next few years has a greater  
bearing and influence on the human  
race for centuries to come than most  
of us here to-day can ever conceive."

"We are not only the largest and  
most powerful democracy in the  
whole world, but many other de-  
spairing look to us for leadership  
that the world may survive."

President Roosevelt added that the  
external policies of the United States  
were exerted on the side of peace,  
and that "they are exerted more  
strongly than ever before toward self-  
preservation of the human race  
through the assurance of peace."

### B.B.C. TO CONTINUE FOREIGN BULLETINS

LONDON, Dec. 5.  
The Postmaster-General told the  
House of Commons to-day that no  
proposal to discontinue the foreign  
news bulletins, broadcast daily in  
German, French and Italian had been  
considered by the B.B.C.—British  
Wireless.

### HONGKONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

The Annual General  
Meeting of the Hongkong  
Society for the Protection  
of Children will take place  
in the Helena May Institute,  
on Tuesday, December 13,  
at 5.15 p.m.

Anno Crozier,  
Hon. General Secretary.

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### Rugby Union Football Game Oxford v Cambridge

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(a) How'd ja like to love me; (b)  
Music Maestro please; (c) Saltitude;  
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6.14 Record: Sedlitz—One-Step  
Arab; Bell Ringer—Fox-Trot  
Maurice Alexander (Accordeon) with  
Orchestra.

6.21 (a) I could use a dream; (b)  
A-lickety-luck; (c) Basin Street  
Blues; (d) East Side Kick.

6.35 Records: Song Of Songs  
(Maya); Ah! Sweet Mystery Of Life  
(Herbert); George Scott-Wood  
(Piano-Accordeon) with vocal re-  
frain. Banjo Favourites. Raymonde  
and His Band O' Banjos.

6.44 (a) Blue Hawaii; (b) Flat  
Footed; (c) My Campfire  
dream; (d) Twilight In Turkey.

7.0 Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Grace Fields, Clapham and  
Dwyer, Frank Crumit, Elizabeth  
Welch and Harry Roy & His Orch.

Dance Orch.—Clarinet Marmalade  
—Quickstep... Harry Roy & His  
Orchestra. Vocal—The Desert Song  
(Hammerstein)... Grace Fields with  
Orchestra. Dance Orch.—Mama, I

Wanna Make Rhythm—Quickstep  
(Film "Manhattan Music Box")  
O.O.O.O.O.O.—Oh—Quickstep  
... Harry Roy & His Orchestra with  
vocal refrain. Vocal—C'est Le De-  
but D'une Aventure (Mirelle);

Quand On A Mal Aux Dents  
(Mirelle)... Pills et Tablet with  
Piano accom. Humorous Sketch  
—A Spot Of Fishing (Clapham  
and Dwyer) ... Clapham and  
Dwyer. Dance Orch.—Say "Si"  
—Rumba; It's The Natural Thing  
To Do—Fox-Trot (Film "Double or  
Nothing") Harry Roy & His  
Orchestra. Dance Orch.—When It's  
Thursday Night In Egypt—Comedy  
Fox-Trot; Algenon, Wifflesnoop, John  
—Comedy Fox-Trot... Harry Roy  
& His Orchestra. Comedienne—Far  
Away In Shanty Town (from "Glam-  
orous Night"—Novello); The Girl I  
Knew (from "Glamorous Night"—  
Novello)... Elizabeth Welch accom-  
panied by the Drury Lane Theatre Orch.

Comedians—Whoops We Go Again  
(Harvey)... Al and Bob Harvey  
with Orch.; Vocal—Ring Down  
The Curtain (Miller-Iida)  
Grace Fields with Orch.;  
Dance Orch.—Six-Eight Medley  
Dance Harry Roy and His Or-  
chestra; Vocal—Taught Me How To  
Play The Second Fiddle (Moder and  
Dahl)... Frank Crumit (Tenor)  
with Orch.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather  
Report and Announcements.

8.03 Rossini—La Boutique Fan-  
tasque.  
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8.30 London Relay—"Steamboat."  
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Marala); Conducted by Jack Clarke;  
The programme devised by Adrian  
Thomas and presented by William  
MacLurg.

9.15 London Relay—"As I See It"  
by David Low.

9.30 London Relay—"The News."  
9.50 Eric Coates Composition.  
O Song Remembered... John Mc-  
Cormack. (Tenor) with Piano ac-  
comp. by Edwin Schneider; Four  
Ways Suite; 1. Northwards (March);  
2. Southwards (Valse); 3. Eastwards  
(Eastern Dance); 4. Westwards  
(Rhythm)... New Light Symphony  
Orchestra cond. by Joseph Lewis.

10.10 London Relay—Oxford v.  
Cambridge.  
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versity Rugby Union Football Match  
from Twickenham; (By courtesy of  
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11.45 Close down.

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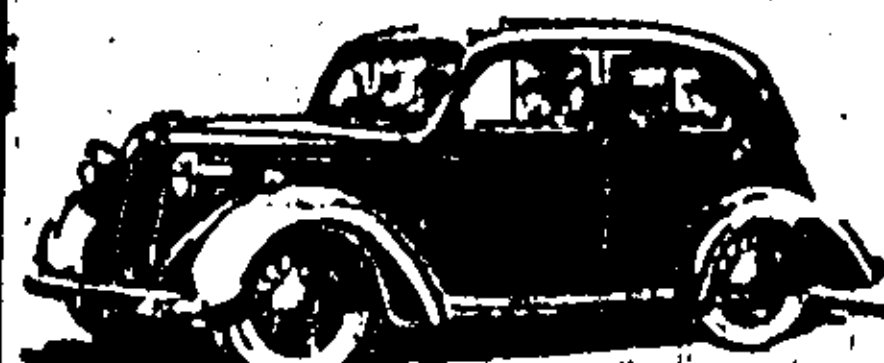
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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1938.

A New World

THE REPORT late last night that the United States contemplates embarking upon a colossal \$640,000,000 naval building programme which will give her an entirely new fleet to protect the Atlantic gives emphasis to rumours that the policy of President Roosevelt and the U.S. Congress is changing from one of static defence to dynamic defence.

With Munich a new world was born. In that Caesarean operation a huge chunk of world power changed hands. It passed from the democratic bloc led by Britain to the authoritarian bloc led by Germany. This epochal shift of power has suddenly left the United States standing alone and unprotected in the world game of power politics. In a word, Britain has been regarded too much in the past as America's first line of defence.

That fundamental transfer of some of the power from London and Paris to Berlin necessitates internal changes in U.S. affairs which will be so important as to make its present political issues and the partisan bickering over New Deal measures seem like trivial nursery babble. For world events that are far more powerful than President Roosevelt or any individual are now about to tell democracy what it shall have to do.

Germany has taught democracy that static defence is inadequate.

This point, the importance of a dynamic preparedness machine as against a static collection of military and naval inventories, is the key to what is now being proposed in U.S. naval circles.

What Did They Say?

WHAT did Lord Shaftesbury say in 1848?

"Nothing can save the British Empire from shipwreck."

What did Disraeli say in 1849?

"In industry, commerce and agriculture there is no hope."

What did the dying Duke of Wellington say in 1852?

"I thank God I shall be spared from seeing the consummation of ruin that is gathering about us."

What did Lloyd George say last month?

"Are we going, can we go, any lower?"

But what does Sir William Crawford say?

He says, "Have faith in

# THE MOST BAFFLING MYSTERY OF THE SEA

Sixty-six years ago to-day the Mary Celeste was found.

Not a single fact has come to light since the Mary Celeste was found, on the afternoon of December 6, 1872, which would account for the mystery that, although in perfectly seaworthy condition, she was crewless, and was ploughing an erratic course on her own towards Europe.

She was midway between the Azores and Cape Roca on the coast of Portugal, when boarded by the Nova Scotia brig Dei Gratia.

In the intervening years, however, so many fictitious "explanations" have been produced by writers who have not even troubled to acquaint themselves with the known facts, that those facts have now become hopelessly obscured for the average reader.

To no less a person than the late Conan Doyle must we impute the main responsibility for starting the "mythology" about the Mary Celeste.

He based a gruesome story on what we must assume to have been his imperfect knowledge of the details and published it in January 1884 under the title, "J. Habakuk Jephson's Statement."

### Pitfall

It was only some time later that the distinguished authorship of this "explanation" was discovered. It served at once to put the Mary Celeste on the pinnacle of mystery from which it has never fallen and to broadcast those false premises which have been the pitfall of every subsequent imitator.

For among several errors of fact, Conan Doyle made one cardinal blunder. He presumed that the boats of the Mary Celeste were found hanging in their davits, which would certainly have added the additional point to the mystery of how the crew got away from the ship.

EVERY other "explanation" of note has followed this mistake, but unfortunately for their authors, the facts are otherwise.

The ship's long boat was smashed while she was loading her cargo in New York and the smaller—a yawl—was missing when the ship was found derelict.

The fall ropes, trailing astern in the water, indicated beyond shadow of doubt that the crew had attempted to, or did, get away in the yawl before being overtaken by the disaster which wiped them out.

If this all-important fact is borne in mind the reader will at once be able to appreciate the voluminous literature on the Mary Celeste in its true perspective.

### Even The Name

It has even reached the proportions of a book entitled "The Great Mary Celeste Hoax: A Famous Sea Mystery Exposed," in which its author, Mr. Lawrence Keating, not only seeks to dispel much of the fiction which has been written on the subject, but much of the fact which is beyond dispute.

Indeed, one need go no further than the name of the ship to see how the fashion for distortion inaugurated by Habakuk Jephson has persisted.

He, I believe, was the first to call it the Marie Celeste, but

Britain.

He says, "A hundred times able men have cried, 'This is the end of Britain.' And Britain has gone on and on—to ever greater strength."

Be confident, then. Pay no heed to the prophets of evil.

Go about your business, seek your pleasures, in the assurance that the strength of Britain is as a rock and that its resilience has triumphantly survived days far darker than those passed through recently.

THE indisputable facts are these: the Mary Celeste was a brigantine of 282 tons, 98ft. long, with a 26ft. beam and a draught slightly over 11ft. Her principal owner was Captain J. H. Winchester of the

firm of J. H. Winchester and Co., New York, but her captain, Benjamin S. Briggs, was a third owner of the ship and had an interest in the cargo of alcohol which she carried on her fatal voyage.

She loaded in New York for Genoa, where the cargo, contained in 1,700, casks, was consigned to a wine merchant.

### Last Voyage

On November 9, 1872, she sailed down the Hudson River and carried away on their last voyage Captain Briggs, his wife, and their little daughter Sophie, aged two, a mate, second mate, cook, and four hands.

All four of the last named were Germans or Americans of German extraction. The *Maritime Register* for December 18, 1872, gives the names of all the ship's company, but mentions none of that fantastic company, who claim to have survived the disaster and be able to explain it.

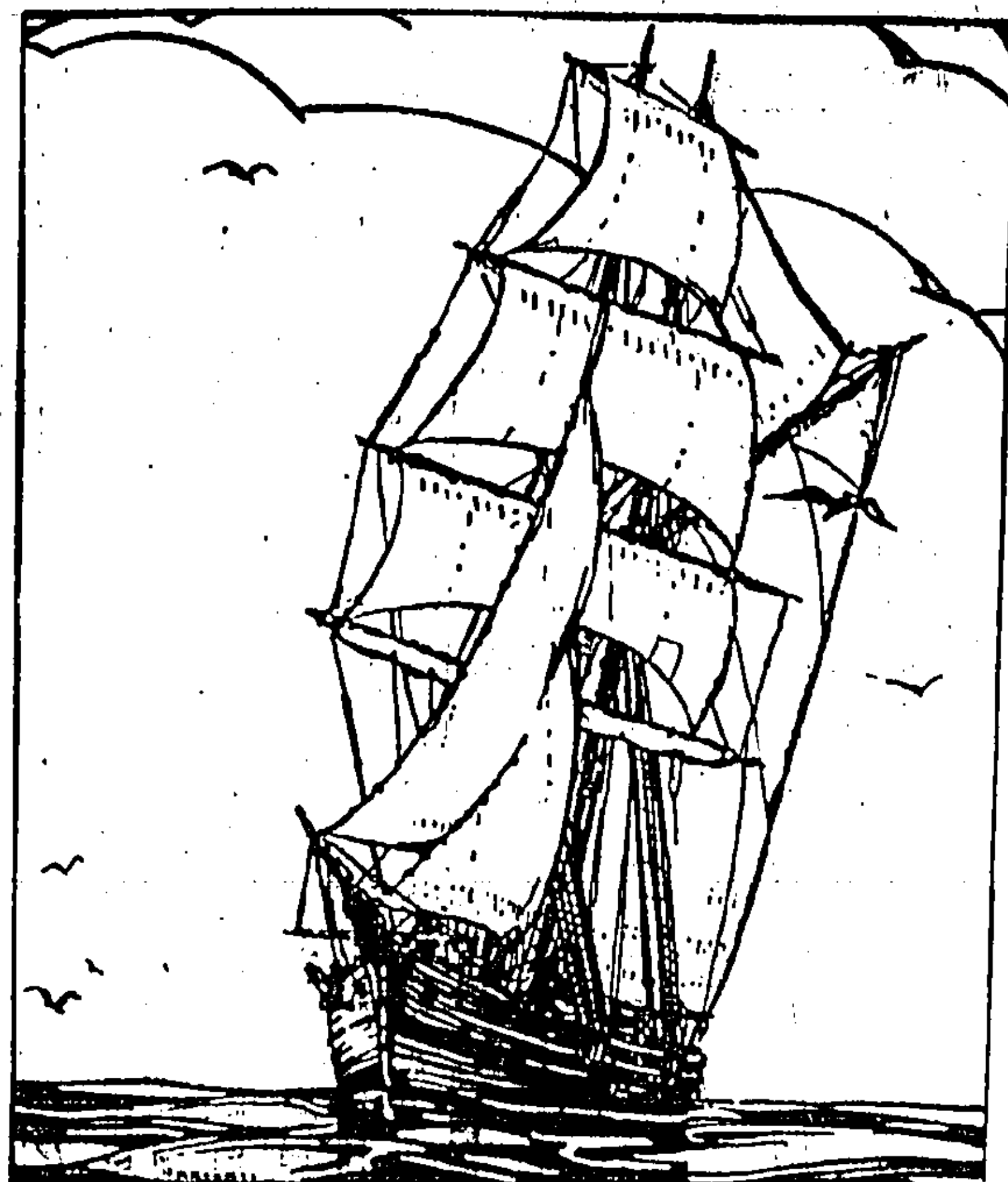
Still less, might I add, for Mr. Habakuk Jephson's benefit, were there any passengers or coloured men on board.

CAPTAIN BRIGGS, a man of religious and upright character, had a friend, a Captain Morehouse, who was due to sail for Europe a little later in the brig Dei Gratia, and they had fixed a tentative rendezvous in Barcelona, where they would be calling for cargoes of fruit on their return voyage.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"All my life I've dreamed about this moment—when my name changes from Schnitzenswurstlich to Smith!"



## THE MARY CELESTE

Captain Morehouse, in the Dei Gratia, cleared New York on November 11—that is, two days after the Mary Celeste.

After an uneventful voyage, without any of the storms that figure so prominently in all the "explanations," he found himself half-way between the Azores and Cape Roca on December 5.

### Erratic

That afternoon his attention was drawn by the erratic behaviour of a two-masted ship, which he had overhauled. She was not on a steady course, for she yawed from time to time with the changes of a light northerly breeze and ran off before the wind.

On closer approach, he saw that, while she was on the port tack, her jibs were set on the starboard tack.

His alarm increased with the realisation that this was the Mary Celeste, for it was no sort of seamanship to be displayed by his old friend, Captain Briggs.

He signalled, but got no answer. Glasses trained on the ship could detect no sign of life as the Dei Gratia came within hailing distance, even the shouts of her crew drew no response. That something seriously was amiss, was only too obvious, but what?

I DO not think any of us would have relished the job of Oliver Deveau, the first mate of the Dei Gratia and the two men who were ordered off by Captain Morehouse to board the Mary Celeste.

### Derelict

"Murder, plague, or what, could account for this uncanny silence?" they must have asked themselves again and again as they tossed in their little boat towards the derelict.

Deveau cautiously kept one of the men in the boat while he and the other hoisted themselves aboard by chain plates.

Their superficial examination above deck told them nothing except that there appeared to be no one on board, so Deveau signalled Captain Morehouse to join him.

Not a soul could be found on the ship, nor any reason for abandoning her, as she must have been abandoned, in her one small boat.

The forecabin presented the usual appearance, clothes and personal odds and ends lying about much as they might be left by their owner normally.

In the captain's cabin, Mrs. Briggs's sewing machine held a piece of cloth that might one day have been a child's pinafore.

An oil-can, a thimble and a reel of cotton remained on the nearby table, just as the might have placed them while sitting at her machine.

The harmonium slipped for this voyage had the cover of the key-board back and a piece of music in the rack.

### A Letter

Some reports say that a half-empty bottle of medicine and a partly eaten breakfast were on the table, but there is no unimpeachable evidence for this.

A member of the crew had started a letter, "Fanny, my dear wife," and had got no further with it.

The beds were made up, all except Sophie's, and the look as if she had been sleeping there when removed.

Captain Briggs's watch was still hanging on an accustomed hook; the ship's log remained where it was normally kept.

THE only thing that appeared to have gone with the crew were chronometer, the ship's paps, and probably some tinned food, for one of the drawers of the storeroom had been emptied and left open.

A cutlass showing with looked like bloodstains caused some commotion at the time but it need not bother us, as the stains were subsequently found to be rust.

### Spots Of Blood

The same applies to some spots of blood found on the deck. If they really were blood, one has ever suggested that they were more than could come from some quite superficial wound, such as a member of the crew might sustain in the dinary working of the ship.

Indeed, apart from the chronometer, in the log and on a slide, the only discoveries material to a theory of the mystery, were that the cover of the mainmast was off and, although the cargo was perfectly stowed, or cask appeared to have broken open or been broached.

The Mary Celeste was of course taken by Captain Morehouse, as salvage, to Gibraltar. There she created a ninny's wonder, but at the time people confidently believed that news of the captain and crew, rescued by a vessel bound for a distant port, would eventually solve the mystery.

But no news has ever come—only a spate of ill-digested fiction which has added confusion to facts already sufficiently astounding.







# ANOTHER FINE INNINGS BY LT. MANNERS AGAINST CLUB

## NAVY BEATEN IN TRYING TO FORCE A VICTORY

(By "R. Abbi")

Owing to circumstances over which I had no control I was unable to see the whole of the Navy and Club Match at King's Park on Saturday last. I missed a very excellent 63 scored by G. P. Longfield for the Club. It was a hard hit innings and I am told he did not give any noticeable chances. Haymes got over 30 and I am told that Alec Pearce was very unlucky to be given l.b.w. as the ball would almost certainly have gone over the wicket; however, the Umpire didn't think so and it is all in the game!

When the Navy started in to try and get 155 runs, they had not a wicket in hand. E. F. Fincher played great deal of time, but at one time appeared well set, I thought they would do it. Manners practically controlled the scoring, though I cannot say I thought he was batting as well as he had done previously on a grass wicket. However, it was a question of getting runs against time, and the Club bowlers never became really bad. Actually up to the time when Manners was out, having scored 94 out of 115, if my memory serves me, there seemed a very good chance of the Navy winning, and even then the last Navy batsmen refused to be dismayed and all went for the runs.

I must say I congratulate the Navy Cricketers on this. They could perfectly well have drawn the match, even after Manners had gone, if they had liked to sit on the spile, but they went for the runs and Taylor readily agreed to an extra five minutes when the Navy drawing had come at 5.45 p.m. Actually tight had been dreadful all through the Navy innings, as the wind seemed to have got a bit south of east and our friends, the Green Island Cement Company, were making it difficult at times for spectators even to see the wicket.

By the way, there was one little amusing incident. Manners got out in looking a ball which went hard and high over Gahagan's head at mid wicket; the fielder apparently had some sort of idea that the ball was near him and threw up his open hand towards the batsman and the ball notified thereby very comfortably. I thought it rather unkind that the first intimation the spectators had that a catch had been made was a raucous shout of laughter from the fielding side. A great many difficult catches are fukes, but you don't even make a fuke unless you make a jolly good try at the catch!

### SEVERAL ABSENTEES

I think by the way, that the H.K.C.C.'s 154 was not declared at 9 wickets as I believe the Club was one short; anyway, they had a substitute fielding from the Navy side all the time. Owen-Hughes had had to go up on urgent business to Canton, but there were other absentees, which does not speak very well for the keenness of the first eleven Club cricket this season. At the end the Navy had made an excellent start at getting the runs and only failed by 12. Haymes did all the damage. He started the chase when he chucked his first ball well up, thought with a bit of flight that he seems to get from his action, and Kennedy the batsman, who had played for Navy two years ago, lifted it tremendously hard to deep long where Alec Pearce took the catch. He then dropped the wicket steadily and enabled the Club to win. There was, however, one bit on the leg side off the first ball bowled by Alec Pearce to Manners. It was subsequently confirmed by the batsman that he had hit it hard, but actually so late in his swing that the Umpire could not possibly have seen it and properly gave the man as not out.

### LOW SCORING

I was unable to see the K.C.C. and Recreation match, but I have a strong suspicion that the cross head of this paragraph ought to have been "bad batting". I have been told that this was partly so but that the

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# CLUB GETS THE BALL



J. R. Henderson, the Club scrum-half, pounces on the ball as it comes out from the scrum. An incident in Saturday's Triangular Rugby Tournament match at Sookunpoo between the Club and the Army. Injuries considerably weakened the Army fifteen and they were defeated by 28 points to three.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

## CHINESE Y.M.C.A. TOO GOOD FOR KING'S COLLEGE

In "A" Division Of Badminton League

The Chinese Y.M.C.A. visited King's College last evening and won by eight sets to one in the "A" Division of the Badminton League.

Lam Tsung and Chan Sik-pui (King's College) lost to C. Au and F. Koh 11-21; beat H. Koh and A. Chuang 21-0; lost to P. H. Wong and T. C. Lau 14-21.

W. M. Cheung and H. C. Chung (King's College) lost to Au and Koh 7-21; lost to Koh and Chuang 12-21; lost to Wong and Lau 10-21.

J. Pui and K. H. Lo (King's College) lost to Au and Koh 10-21; lost to Koh and Chuang 4-21; lost to Wong and Lau 11-21.

### A WALK-OVER

The University "B" conceded a walk-over to the University "A" last evening.

### MIXED DOUBLES

The postponed match in the Mixed Doubles League between Kowloon Tong and the Club de Recreation was played on the former team's court last evening and resulted in a win for the Portuguese team by eight sets to one. Scores: P. Fletcher and Mrs. Castro (Kowloon Tong) lost to M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva 4-21; lost to J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro 14-21; lost to L. A. Carvalho and Miss M. Ribeiro 14-21.

F. S. Ko and Mrs. Roza (Kowloon Tong) lost to Oliveira and Miss Silva 14-21; lost to Remedios and Miss Ribeiro 14-21; beat Carvalho and Miss Ribeiro 21-10.

F. Tsang and Miss T. Gonzales (Kowloon Tong) lost to Oliveira and Miss Silva 10-21; lost to Remedios and Miss Ribeiro 10-21; lost to Carvalho and Miss Ribeiro 7-21.

## TWO MATCHES IN LADIES' DOUBLES THIS EVENING

Two matches are due to be played in the Ladies' Doubles League this evening, the programme being as follows: St. Andrew's v. Recreation "B" European "Y" v. Recreation "A"

## Kukuljevic Disgusted With Crowd

Manila Gallery Applauds Errors

Manila, Nov. 28. Apparently disgusted with the poor sportsmanship of the spectators who packed the stands of the tennis courts at Rizal Memorial Stadium, Franko Kukuljevic, Yugoslavia's outstanding player, virtually gave the match to Feliciano Ampon, the "Biley Grant of the Philippines," to-night.

The little Filipino played superb tennis and won in three sets, 4-0, 6-1, 6-0, but his victory was not fully earned. The spectators practically won the exhibition match for him because their lack of court manners caused Kukuljevic to lose all interest in the game and present the deciding set to the Filipino.

A really friendly match characterized by the good feeling engendered by Cricket association! R.E. VS. C.S.C.C. 2ND (SUNDAY MATCH)

The C.S.C.C. put up a creditable performance in holding a very strong R.E. eleven to a draw, especially as the light failed quickly and inter-batmen faced fast bowling in semi-darkness.

Baker scored 53 out of 81, and Denyer (48) were responsible for most of the R.E. total of 183 for 8, though at one time 6 wickets had fallen for 81. (Buckle took 2 for 17 in 13 overs and Colledge 4 for 38).

C.S.C.C. managed to play out time with two wickets to fall in a total of 75. (Laid 5 for 21).

## THE ARTISTRY OF DERBY COUNTY

By Frank Thorogood

Chelsea 0 Derby County 2

London, Oct. 31.

All that could be seen of Derby County in a very imperfect light at Stamford Bridge told us that the men now wearing the colours of the Midland club were playing League football much above the average standard. In a land of shadows, where the crowd on the terraces resembled a dark forest haunted by goblins, Derby played like prospective champions.

It was a pity that the fog lifting and descending would not permit a full scrutiny, but in the middle the torch of genius, carried with particular success by the winning forwards, never went out.

One of the lights, that came to London was David McCulloch, who was making his second appearance for the Midlanders since leaving Brentford. He led the attack well and if Derby, after years of striving, are destined to win the League championship, Brentford who got over £20,000 for the transfer of their old centre-forward, will not grudge the part which McCulloch played.

On either side of him David had in Astley and Dix colleagues who made quick intelligent response. These two men were the scorers. Astley in the first half, Dix in the second half—and their success offered a pleasant reminder that the inside forwards of Derby are not the sort of players who expect their leader to deliver the bulk of the goods.

IN GOOD COMPANY With Duncan and Crooks playing a strong, masterful game, McCulloch found himself in good company. In the absence of Barker the Derby defence had no player of outstanding rank and fashion, but it came well out of the ordeal.

Bailey, as emergency centre-half, never allowed his sober footsteps to stray out of the pathway of Joe Payne; the wing-halves, Hann and Ward, did their job in a quiet, effective way and I should take Nicholas as the more stylish of two resolute backs.

The goalkeeping of Boulton reached an excellent standard, especially when the former Arsenal player tipped over the bar a teasing shot from Payne.

Chelsea's attack came by fits and starts and it always lacked the pleasing rhythm of the high-stepping Derby five. Hanson and Burgess might be singled out from the rest, but not with any great enthusiasm.

Chief honours fell to the men in the third line, where the nice calculations of Weaver deserved a better result. Woodley could not be blamed for either of the goals in a defence where Barber has not yet regained his normal confidence.

Other backs, however, beside Barber will stand in the reflected glory of Duncan.

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## Newport Beat Reading In The F.A. Cup

London, Dec. 5.

Playing at home to-day, Newport defeated Reading by 3-1 in their re-play in the first round of the F.A. Cup.—*Reuter.*

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# Precedent Is Established In British Tennis

## Miss Gem Hoahing First Chinese Girl Ever To Be Included On Ranking List

By A. Wallis Myers

Miss Gem Hoahing, 17-year-old Chinese girl who is a British subject by birth, recently set a precedent in the history of tennis in England by becoming the first of her race ever to make the British women's tennis ranking list. Only 4 feet, 6 inches tall, diminutive Gem Hoahing has extended some of the best women tennis players in England. She has been regarded as a tennis prodigy for some years and even when she was 15 years old, she has played against the best players in England. She is ranked 11th for 1938. London, Nov. 8.

The official ranking list of players, based on results of singles during the past year, were approved by the Lawn Tennis Association at their meeting in London yesterday. The classification is:—

### MEN

- 1.—H. W. Austin (1)
- 2.—C. E. Hare (1)
- 3.—R. A. Shayer (10)
- 4.—D. W. Butler (5)
- 5.—C. M. Jones (7)
- 6.—M. D. Delaford (12)
- 7.—J. S. Ollitt (11)
- 8.—H. G. N. Lee (4)
- 9.—E. J. Filby (12)
- 10.—D. MacPhail (9)
- 11.—Nigel Sharpe (—)
- 12.—H. Billington (—)

### WOMEN

- 1.—Miss Margaret Scriven (8)
- 2.—Miss Margot Lumb (11)
- 3.—Miss Mary Hardwick (2)
- 4.—Miss Kay Stammers (4)
- 5.—Mrs. Hamersley (6)
- 6.—Mrs. King (7)
- 7.—Miss V. Scott (—)
- 8.—Miss Joan Saunders (5)
- 9.—Miss Betty Nuthall (—)
- 10.—Miss R. Thomas (—)
- 11.—Miss Gem Hoahing (—)
- 12.—Mrs. McKelvie (—)

The figures in brackets indicate the position in the 1937 list.

With the best will in the world, the ranking committee cannot satisfy, or even please, every player who comes into their survey, and their task has been made harder this year because of the wider horizon imposed, and the many "stars" who, sometimes erratically, have passed across it.

The men's list is likely to excite less comment. Austin was the predestined leader.

Hare played very little in this country, but he may play more next year, and it is just as well that his skill, which has not yet fully matured, should be recognised. He won more games against Budge in the American Championship than Austin did in the final at Wimbledon.

TOURNAMENT WINNERS The next four have played regularly throughout the season, and between them have almost cornered the tournament prizes. Shayer has jumped up seven places and Delaford six. The best of neither has yet been extracted. Butler and Jones have also advanced.

Harry Lee's relatively low position at No. 6 is doubtless due to his business preoccupations. On a non-turf court he might beat any of the seven above him except Austin, and only a few days ago he got the better of Jones in a county match.

None will cavil at Filby's advance. He is the only player in the list who has lowered Austin's colours, and one hopes that his place two-thirds down the list will not preclude his inclusion in international teams next summer.

Billington failed to be ranked last year; this year he comes at the

bottom. If doubles were included in the estimate he could not fail to be near the top.

As it is, he is too low down. No. 12 does not do justice to his hand, his head or his heart.

A fool-proof classification of women players is impossible, and the committee, I suppose, have made the best of an order which can never be free from anomaly.

MISS MARY HARDWICK'S CASE My own impression is that Miss Kay Stammers, despite her variable form early in the year, should be higher. She had a much better record in the Wightman Cup at Wimbledon than Miss Scriven, and she put up a great fight at Forest Hills against the winner of the American Championship, Miss Alice Marble.

No doubt Miss Scriven gets the top place because she won the two British championships—the Hardcourt at Bournemouth, and the Covered Court at Queen's. On turf courts, her achievements have been less impressive.

Miss Betty Nuthall returns to the list, and Miss Scott, Miss R. Thomas, Miss Gem Hoahing and Mrs. McKelvie are newcomers.

Miss Gem Hoahing, by the way, is the first Chinese girl to be included, but as she was born and educated in this country and has made her home here, the precedent is justifiably created.

It may be that Mrs. Ellis, who was formerly Senorita Lizana, and a Scotsman, a British subject, will soon be admitted.

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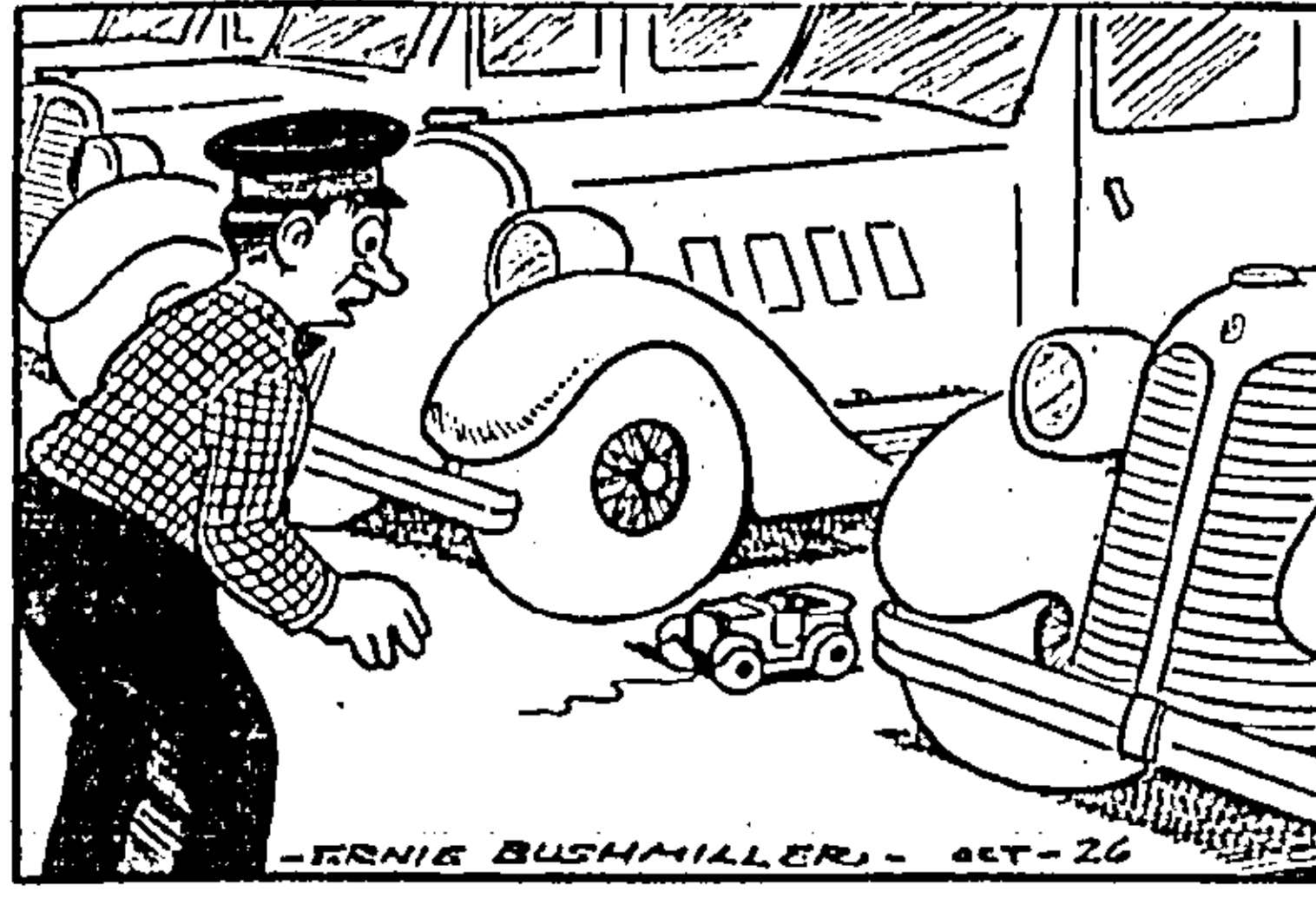
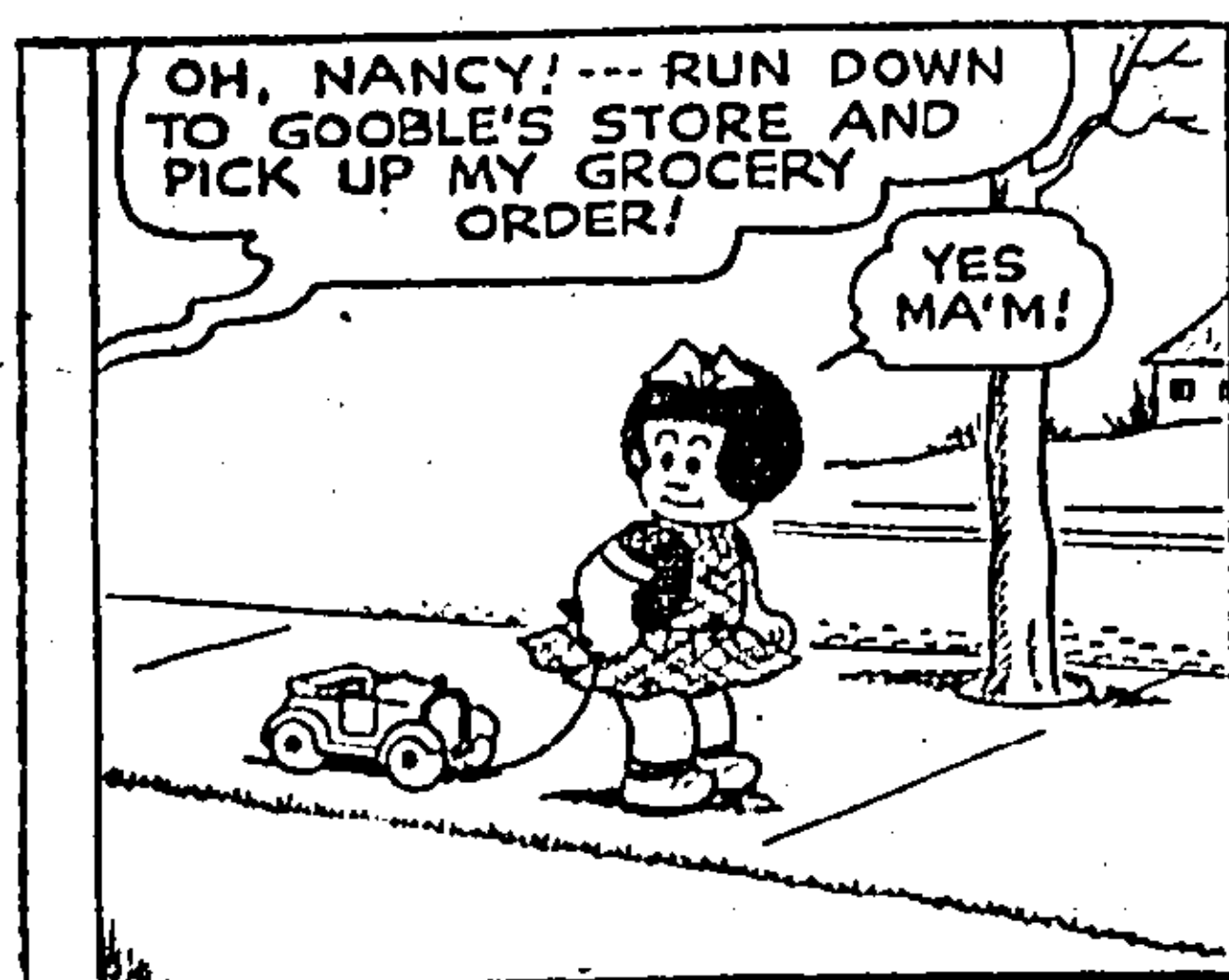
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## NANCY



## VILLA IN BIG-PRICE TRANSFER MARKET ONCE MORE

London, Nov. 11. Aston Villa have come into the big-price transfer market again. Yesterday they paid Blackpool £10,500 for Frank O'Donnell, the Scottish international centre-forward.

The boom period in high-price transfers has been reached earlier than usual this season. Four transactions in recent weeks have cost approximately £34,000.

McCulloch's move from Brentford to Derby County £9,000, Manchester City paid Tottenham £8,000 for Spratton a week ago, and Eastham left Brentford for Blackpool at a cost of £6,000 two days back.

### EXCHANGE DEAL OFF

Eastham was nearly concerned in the biggest exchange deal in Soccer history.

Mr. Harry Curtis, the Brentford manager, was negotiating for an international player to take Eastham's place. That player was Frank O'Donnell. Terms were arranged between the clubs—Blackpool were to have Eastham, valued at £6,000, and a cheque for £4,500.

Unfortunately for Brentford, Aston Villa were looking for somebody to stop their slide, and they made an offer of £10,500 for O'Donnell.

Blackpool, who recently turned down Sunderland's £8,000 bid for him, left it to the player to make his choice, and he preferred to go to the Midlands.

Brentford have not given up hopes of getting their man. Mr. Curtis is, in fact, negotiating with four clubs, and hopes to make a deal soon.

Eloke may also have a newly signed player in their team. Negotiations for the transfer of Tennant, the Bolton full-back, were completed yesterday. The fee is said to be about £2,000. Tennant was on Stoke's books six years ago.

Other moves yesterday were: William Anderson, back, formerly Sheffield United and Barnsley, to Bury.

F. Mardon, centre-forward, Bournemouth to Bristol City.

J. Haycox, centre-forward, Torquay to Northampton.

Milligan, Centre-forward, Clyde to Chesterfield.





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 Change to No. 10 needles, and proceed in pattern as follows:—  
 1st row: K1, \*K8, P3. Repeat from \* to the last 9 sts, K9.  
 2nd row: K1, \*P8, K3. Repeat from \* to the last 9 sts, P8, K1.  
 3rd-10th rows: Repeat the 1st and 2nd rows 4 times.  
 11th row: As the 1st row.  
 12th row: Knit.  
 These 12 rows complete 1 pattern. Increase as follows:—  
 1st row: Increase by working into the front and back of the first st, \*K8, P3. Repeat from \* to the last 9 sts, K9, increase in the next st, K1.  
 2nd row: K2, \*P8, K3. Repeat from \* to the last 10 sts, P8, K2.  
 3rd row: K1, P1, \*K8, P3. Repeat from \* to the last 10 sts, K8, P1, K1.  
 4th row: As the 2nd row.  
 5th-10th rows: Repeat the 3rd and 4th rows 3 times.  
 11th row: As the 3rd row.  
 12th row: Knit.  
 13th row: Increase in the first st, P1, \*K8, P3. Repeat from \* to the last 10 sts, K8, increase in the next st, K1.  
 14th row: K3, \*P8, K3. Repeat from \* to the end.  
 15th row: K1, P2, \*K8, P3. Repeat from \* to the last 11 sts, K8, P2, K1.  
 16th row: As the 14th row.  
 17th-22nd rows: Repeat the 15th and 16th rows 3 times.  
 23rd row: As the 15th row.  
 24th row: Knit.  
 Keeping the continuity of the pattern, continue in this manner, increasing in the first st and last st but one, on the next row and every following 12th row, until there are 123 sts on the needle.  
 Work 5 rows after the last increase row.  
 Shape the armholes as follows: Keeping the continuity of the pattern, turn.  
 5th row: Work to the neck.  
 Cast off purwise.  
 Slip the 44 sts from the safety pin on to a No. 10 needle, the point to the centre, join the yellow wool and work the right side of the front as follows: Work 32 rows, thus finishing at the centre edge.  
 Shape the neck and complete as the instructions for the left side of the front, but casting off the shoulder knitwise.

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5th row: Work to the neck.  
 Cast off purwise.  
 Slip the 44 sts from the safety pin on to a No. 10 needle, the point to the centre, join the yellow wool and work the right side of the front as follows: Work 32 rows, thus finishing at the centre edge.  
 Shape the neck and complete as the instructions for the left side of the front, but casting off the shoulder knitwise.

## THE BACK

Using No. 11 needles and yellow wool, cast on 94 sts. Working into the back of the sts, on the first row only, proceed in fancy rib for 2 1/2 inches as worked on the lower edge of the front, decreasing 1 st at the end of the last row.

Change to No. 10 needles, and proceed in pattern as follows:—  
 1st row: K1, \*P3, K8. Repeat from \* to the last 4 sts, P3, K1.  
 2nd row: K1, \*K3, P8. Repeat from \* to the last 4 sts, K4.  
 3rd-10th rows: Repeat the 1st and 2nd rows 4 times.

11th row: As the 1st row.  
 12th row: Knit.

These 12 rows complete 1 pattern. Keeping the continuity of the pattern, increase in the first st and last st but one, on the next row and every following 12th row, until there are 107 sts on the needle. Work 5 rows after the last increase row.

Shape the Armholes as follows: Keeping the continuity of the pattern, cast off 7 sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows, then decrease 1 st at both ends of the next row and every alternate row following, until 87 sts remain. Work 7 rows after the last decrease row.

Divide for the front opening as follows, keeping the continuity of the pattern: Work over 43 sts. Slip the remaining 44 sts on to a safety pin for the present, turn.

Proceed on the former set of 43 sts for the left side of the front as follows: Increase in the first st, work to the end. (44 sts now on the needle). Work 20 rows without further increase, thus finishing at the centre edge.

Shape the neck as follows, keeping the continuity of the pattern:—  
 1st row: Cast off 7 sts, work to the end.

2nd row: Work to the neck.  
 3rd row: Cast off 3 sts, work to the end.

4th row: Work to the neck.  
 5th row: Cast off 2 sts, work to the end.

6th row: Work to the neck.  
 7th row: Work 2 sts tog, work to the end.

8th and 9th rows: As the 6th and 7th rows. (30 sts remain). Work 9 rows without further shaping.

Shape the shoulder as follows, keeping the continuity of the pattern:—  
 1st row: Work to the last 7 sts, turn.  
 2nd row: Work to the neck.  
 3rd row: Work to the last 14 sts, turn.  
 4th row: Work to the neck.  
 5th row: Work to the last 22 sts, turn.

## THE LONG SLEEVE

Using No. 11 needles and yellow wool, cast on 54 sts. Working into the back of the sts on the first row only, proceed in fancy rib for 2 inches, as worked on the lower edge of the front.

Cast off in rib, not working into the back of the K sts.

inches, as worked on the lower edge of the front.

Change to No. 10 needles and repeat the 12 pattern rows once, as worked at the beginning of the front. Keeping the continuity of the pattern, increase in the first st and last st but one, on the next row and every following 8th row, until there are 80 sts on the needle. Proceed without further increase until the work measures 18 inches from the beginning, finishing so that the right side of the work will be facing when working the next row.

Shape the top as follows: Keeping the continuity of the pattern, cast off 7 sts at the beginning of the next 2 rows, then decrease 1 st at both ends of the next row and every alternate row following, until 42 sts remain.

Work 1 row.  
 Cast off 2 sts at the beginning of the next 4 rows, then cast off 4 sts at the beginning of the following 2 rows (26 sts remain). Cast off.

Work another sleeve in the same manner.

## THE SHORT SLEEVE

Using No. 11 needles and yellow wool, cast on 80 sts. Working into the back of the sts on the first row only, proceed in fancy rib for 1 1/2 inches, as worked on the lower edge of the front.

Change to No. 10 needles and proceed in pattern as follows:—  
 1st row: K1, \*P3, K8. Repeat from \* to the last 3 sts, P2, K1.  
 2nd row: K3, \*P8, K3. Repeat from \* to the end.

3rd-8th rows: Repeat the 1st and 2nd rows 3 times.  
 9th row: Increase in the first st, P2, K1, \*P3, K8. Repeat from \* to the last 3 sts, P1, increase in the next st, K1.

10th row: K4, \*P8, K3. Repeat from \* to the last 4 sts, P3, K1.

11th row: K1, \*P3, K8. Repeat from \* to the last 4 sts, P3, K1.

12th row: Knit.  
 Keeping the continuity of the pattern, increase at both ends of the 5th row, and then on the 8th row following, when there will be 86 sts on the needle. Proceed without further increase, until the work measures 4 1/2 inches from the beginning, finishing so that the right side of the work will be facing when working the next row.

Shape the top and complete as the instructions for the "long" sleeve.

Work another sleeve in the same manner.

## THE COLLAR

Using No. 11 needles and yellow wool, cast on 106 sts. Working into the back of the sts on the first row only, proceed in fancy rib for 1 inch, as worked on the lower edge of the front.

Cast off in rib, not working into the back of the K sts.

## MAKE-UP

Beginning at the armhole edge, join the shoulders of the back to the

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## MATERIALS:

10 ozs. 4-ply "Excelsior" wool, Hunting Yellow, No. 1037, for long sleeve model, 8 ozs. for short sleeve model.  
 1 oz. 4-ply "Excelsior" wool, Navy, No. 85.  
 1 oz. 4-ply "Excelsior" wool, White, No. 81.  
 1 pair No. 11 knitting needles.  
 1 pair No. 10 knitting needles.  
 1 No. 12 crochet hook; 1 brooch.

## MEASUREMENTS:

Length from top of shoulder to lower edge, 18 1/2 inches; width all round at underarm to fit a 33-34 inch bust; length of sleeve seam, long 18 1/2 inches, short 5 inches.

## TENSION:

Using No. 10 needles, work to produce 7 1/2 sts, and 9 1/2 rows to one square inch in smooth fabric (1 row K, 1 row P).

## ABBREVIATIONS:

K—knit. P—purl. st—stitch. tog—together. d.c.—double crochet.

same number of sts, on the front. Mark the centre of the cast-off edge of the collar and place this to the centre back of the neck. Stitch the collar round the neck to the extreme edge of the front opening.

With the right side of the work facing, using the crochet hook and navy wool, work 1 row of d.c. along the top of the collar and round the edges of the front opening. Fasten off.

Omitting all ribbing, thoroughly press the work on the wrong side, using a warm iron over a damp cloth, pressing out the pattern to its fullest extent, and being careful not to stretch any edges.

Stitch the sleeves into the armholes, slightly easing the fullness of the top of the sleeve into the top of the armhole.

With the right side of the work facing, using the crochet hook and navy wool, work 1 row of d.c. along the lower edge of each sleeve.

Fasten off. Embroider each row of blocks on the front in navy and white alternately in the following manner:—

Using a wool needle and navy wool, begin at the edge of the right side, working a line of chain st. diagonally across the smooth fabric portion of each block down the first line of stripes. Work the chain st. from the upper to the lower edge of each block, the lines being worked from right to left.

Work each line of stripes alternately in navy and white in the same manner, the white line being worked from left to right in each block, as shown in the photograph.

Embroider the back and sleeves in the same manner.

Join the side and sleeve seams. Press lightly.

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When it is almost cold, add the raisins, chopped finely, the fruit juice and the yeast. Let it stand for a fortnight and stir thoroughly every day.

Pour the wine into a barrel and add, if you wish, a quart of gin or brandy. An ounce of angelina should also be added to keep the wine clear.

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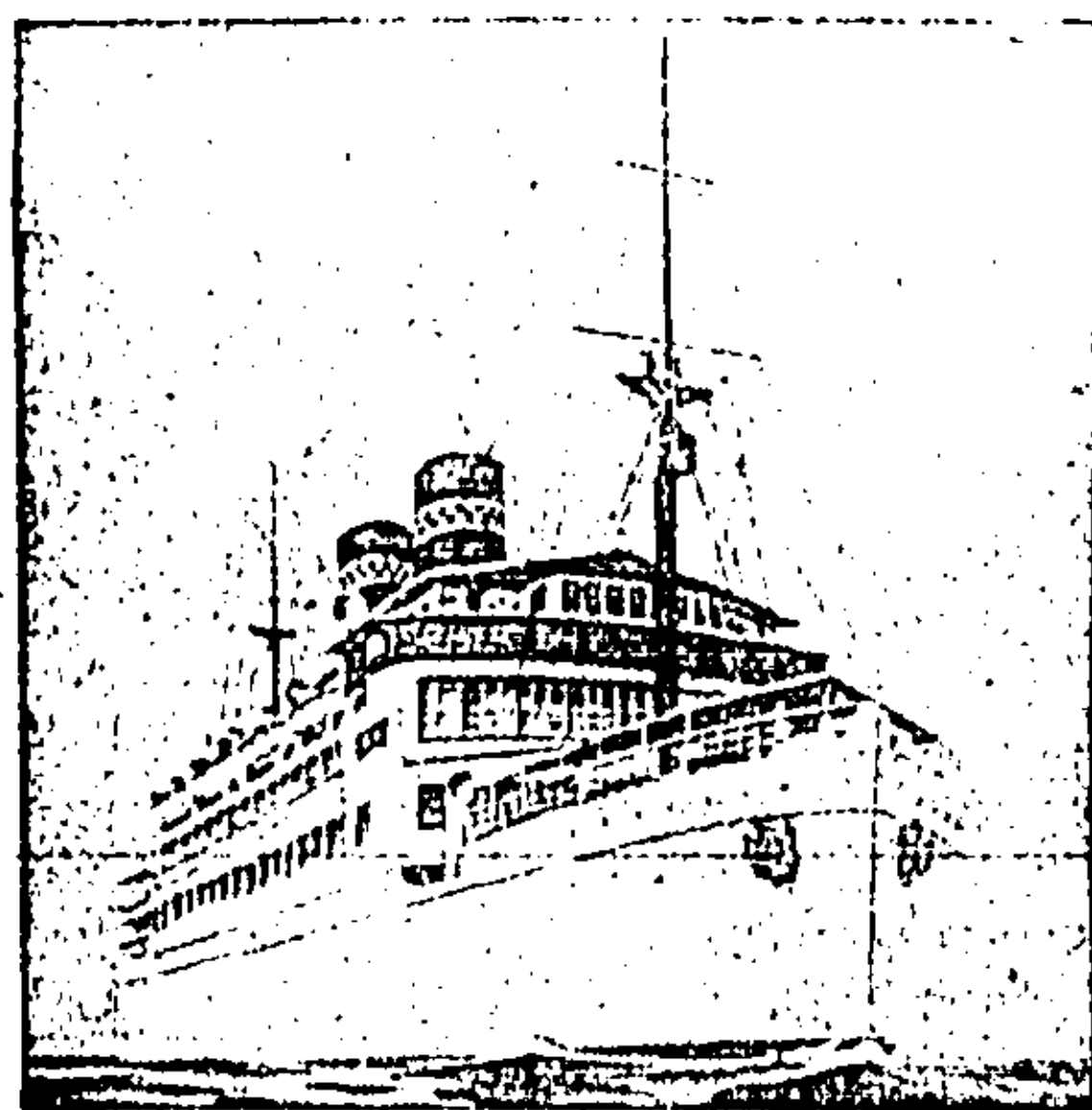
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As Italian Press Continues Attacks

ROME, Dec. 5. SIGNOR GAYDA, writing in the "Giornale d'Italia" declares that the preordained and organised events in Corsica and Tunis against Italy must be stressed as a fateful sign of the responsibility of France, but they cannot make Italy abandon a policy of inflexibly safeguarding her interests and aspirations.

Signor Gayda points out that Germany is not only on the frontiers of Italy, but the frontiers of France near territory under French sovereignty which is populated by 3,500,000 Germans, and which is rich in iron and potash.

Further press attacks on France spread to-day, meanwhile the admission into Italy of British and French newspapers is banned.

REITER.

DETREMENTAL EFFECT ON APPEASEMENT

London, Dec. 5. Making a statement in the House of Commons to-day, the Premier, Mr. Neville Chamberlain said there was nothing in the Anglo-Italian agreement affecting British obligations to France, and while Tunisia, Corsica and Nice were not specifically mentioned in the negotiations prior to the agreement, they were covered by an annex, which dealt with the maintenance of the status quo in the Mediterranean.

In the view of the demonstration in the Italian Chamber, the British Ambassador to Rome, Lord Perth, had been instructed to represent to Count Ciano that incidents of this kind—unless steps were taken to correct the impression—must have a most detrimental effect on the prospects of collaboration between the four Munich Powers.

From Count Ciano's reply it was clear that the Italian Government did not associate itself with the demonstration, and it had no intention of departing from the undertakings given Britain.

Mr. Chamberlain could see no reason to alter the present arrangements for his visit to Rome.

Mr. Arthur Henderson (Lab) asked whether Mr. Chamberlain would make it clear to Rome that Britain has no intention of sacrificing her friendship with France in order to purchase friendship with Italy, and Mr. Clement Attlee (Lab) asked whether Mr. Chamberlain believed that it was a spontaneous demonstration taking place in Italy under the present conditions.

Mr. Chamberlain replied: "We have the assurances of the Italian Government, and of course we accept them."

Mr. Chamberlain replied "No" to the Opposition suggestion that the Premier's visit to Rome was made the occasion for inventing, and fermenting "parious grievances in order that redress might be demanded in the name of appeasement."

REITER.

TENSION INCREASING

Rome, Dec. 5.

Monday has brought a further increase in the Franco-Italian tension, judging by the information gathered from political circles in Rome.

It is said to have been largely brought about by attempts in "certain French quarters" to include the visit of the German Foreign Minister to Paris in the anti-Italian press campaign, and to try and construct this visit as an invitation on the part of Germany to desert from the policy of the Rome-Berlin axis.

The semi-official "Giornale d'Italia" emphatically denounces these attempts, observing that these French newspapers have apparently failed altogether to understand that Rome and Berlin stand in a spirit which is being directed by the leaders of Italy and Germany.—Trans-Ocean.

## DICTATOR FILM FOR CHAPLIN?

New York. Hollywood was startled recently by a report that Charlie Chaplin is preparing to begin work on a new film, in which he will play two roles—one that of a defenceless little Jew who is mistaken for a powerful dictator, and the other the dictator himself.

It is stated that Chaplin will speak as a dictator, but rely on pantomime for the other part.

Hitherto producers generally, under direct pressure from abroad, have avoided any topic or incident which could offend the dictatorships and deprive a film of the world market.

## October Trade

Britain's overseas trade in October, showing an improvement on September, was smaller than in October, 1937—the decline being partly explained by lower prices.

Imports totalled £79,935,000, a rise of £4,000,000 on September, and a decline of £17,000,000 on October last year.

British exports at £42,560,000 are £2,750,000 higher than September, but £4,700,000 lower than October, 1937.

## Stock Market Suffers Depression

London, Dec. 5.

The European political uncertainties caused a stream of small selling orders on the London Stock Exchange to-day, which, together with the absence of buying interest, depressed prices all round, particularly in the French, which, under French selling pressure showed considerable losses.

Foreign exchanges were active, with funds continuing to flow into France. Dollars were offered freely from the Continent, and British control intermittently supported the dollar against sterling.

Commodities continued to show weakness, cotton being the only feature.

Wall Street was easy.—Reuter Special.

## EUROPEAN FINED \$50 IN COURT

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and he jumped back quickly. The vehicle struck his brother and carried him on the radiator for a distance of almost a hundred feet, after which he fell to the ground.

"An independent witness Mr. Adams, who was on the road at the time, will say that the horn had not been blown" Mr. Whyatt continued.

LIGHTING WAS BAD

Watts pleaded guilty to all three summonses.

"It was dusk at the time and the light was bad," he pleaded. "I did not see the youth until I was on top of him and then it was absolutely too late to do anything."

"I am thoroughly conversant as a driver with Chatham Road."

"The street lighting was very bad," Watts concluded.

Mr. Macfadyen reminded the defendant that if the light had been bad, that was all the more reason why he should have driven carefully.

Crown Counsel referred to the third summons, and said that there was an authority which said that if a person was convicted of having driven a car in a manner dangerous to the public and the Magistrate, in taking into account all the circumstances of the case, considered the speed of the defendant, then it would be improper to take into account a summons of having driven at an excessive speed. He waived, therefore, the third summons against Watts.

Mr. Macfadyen: "I take it that the second summons is an alternative one to the first?"

Mr. Whyatt: "That is so, your Worship."

In fining the defendant \$50, Mr. Macfadyen took into consideration his clear driving record.

## KONOYE SEEN AS JAPANESE DICTATOR

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ture will form a branch with the prefectural governor as its chief.

The general outline of the new organisation proposes that it will function as the principal civilian organ to guide the people in effecting a general mobilisation of the material and spiritual resources of the nation and co-operate in the prosecution of the grand task of establishing a new order in East Asia.

FOUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The past movement for the national spiritual general mobilisation will be incorporated into the new organisation so that it will be adjusted to the new developments in the current situation.

The organisation puts forth the following four guiding principles:

(1) The present organisation expects to enhance the spirit in which the Empire of Japan has been founded, and on which the national policy of the Empire is based.

(2) Acting along lines of the national general mobilisation, the organization expects to mobilize the entire wisdom of the nation and to replenish and develop all resources of the nation.

(3) The present organization expects to reject materialistic and selfish thought and to accomplish the genuine culture of Japan in which are harmonized the material and the spiritual.

(4) The present organization expects to contribute towards the establishment of a new order in East Asia on the basis of co-operation between Japan, Manchukuo and China, and thus towards the promotion of world peace.

## ANTI-COMINTERN ALLIANCE

London, Dec. 5.

The Premier replied in the negative when asked in the House of Commons to-day whether he had information to show that the anti-Comintern Pact between Germany, Italy and Japan had been strengthened so as to be a military alliance between these three countries.—Reuter.

## Hold-Up at Ciro's Club

London.

Two men, one of whom is said to have been armed with a revolver, recently held up the control office at the Ciro's Club in Orange Street, and escaped with £200. They were chased for nearly a mile by two members of the staff through crowded streets, but despite cries of "Police" and "Stop thief" no one interfered and the men got clean away.

## SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

**Banks**  
H.K. Banks, £400 n.  
H.K. Bank (Lon. Reg.), £83 n.  
Chartered Bank, £10 1/2 n.  
Mercantile Bank, A. & B., £27 1/2 n.  
Mercantile Bank, C. £13 n.  
East Asia Bank, \$80 n.

**Insurances**  
Canton Ins., \$215 n.  
Union Ins., \$48 1/2 n.  
China Underwriters, 75 cts. n.  
H.K. Fire Ins., \$190 n.

**Shipping**  
Douglas, \$60 b.  
H.K. Steamships, \$18 n.  
Indo-China (Pref.), \$60 n.  
Indo-China (Def.), \$24 n.  
Shell Bearer, s/- 81/3 n.  
Union Waterboats, \$9 n.

**Docks Etc.**  
H.K. & K. Wharves, \$117 b.  
H.K. Docks (old), \$18 1/4 n.  
H.K. Docks (new), \$17 1/4 n.  
Providents (old), \$5.80 b.  
Providents (new), 5.60 b.  
New Engineering Sh., \$400 n.  
Shanghai Docks, \$11.80 n.  
Kallan Mining Adm., s/- 18/- n.  
Rauba, \$9.10 b.  
Ver. Goldfield, \$3 n.  
Hongkong Mines, 7 1/4 cts. n.

**Philippine Mining**  
Antamoka, P., 4 1/4 cts. n.  
Atoka, P., 20 sa.  
Baguio Gold P., 2 1/4 cts. n.  
Benguet Consol., P., 13.00 sa.  
Coco Grove, P., 51 sa.  
Consolidated Mines, P., .0035 sa.  
Demonstrations, P., —  
I.X.L., —  
San Mauricio, P., 1.80 sa.  
Suyco Consol., P., 19 1/2 sa.  
United Paracales, P., 51 sa.

**Lands, Hotels, etc.**  
H. & S. Hotels, \$85 b.  
H.K. Lands, \$35 b.  
H.K. Lands 4 1/2 deb. 107 1/4 n.  
Shanghai Lands, Sh. \$8.80 n.  
Humphreys, \$8 1/4 n.  
H.K. Realities, \$5 1/4 n.  
Chinese Estates, \$90 n.

**Public Utilities**  
H.K. Tramways, \$17.10 b.  
Peak Trams (old), \$8 1/4 n.  
Peak Trams (new), \$3 1/4 n.  
Star Ferries, \$17 1/4 n.  
Yaukai Ferries (old), \$23 n.  
Yaukai Ferries (new), \$22 1/4 n.  
China Light (old), \$10.80 b.  
China Light (new), \$10.60 b.  
H.K. Electric, \$98 sa.  
Macao Electric, \$17 1/2 n.  
Sandakan Lights, \$10 1/2 b. and sa.  
Telephone (old), \$23.50 b.  
Telephone (new), \$8.60 n.  
Singapore Trams, s/- 21/3 n.  
Singapore Prof., s/- 25/- n.

**Industries**  
Cald: Macg. (old), Sh. \$14 n.  
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. \$13 n.  
Canton Ices, \$17.00 n.  
Cements, \$15 1/2 b.  
H.K. Ropes, \$4.65 s.

**Stores, &c.**  
Watsons, \$7.10 b.  
Lane Crawford, \$8 1/4 n.  
Sincere, \$2 n.  
Wing On (H.K.), \$36 n.  
William Powell, Ltd., 80 cts. n.

**Cotton Mills**  
Ewo Cotton Sh., \$10 1/4 n.  
Shai Cotton Sh., \$108 n.  
Zoong Sings, Sh. \$24 n.  
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$40 n.

**Miscellaneous**  
H.K. Entertainments, \$6 1/4 n.  
Constructions, \$1 1/4 n.  
Vibro Piling, \$7 b.  
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 GS Bonds, 7 1/2 cts. n.  
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 6% prm. b.  
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan par b.  
Marsmann (Lon.), s/- 18/8 n.  
Marsmann (H.K.), s/- 3/- n.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 3.15 p.m. yesterday, says:

The improved tone of the market noted towards the end of last week was well maintained during the day. Opening quotations indicated a firmness, and during the day prices in some instances advanced a little, but with sellers still reluctant to trade, the turnover was limited.

**Buyers**  
Hongkong Bank \$13 1/2  
Union Insurance \$40 1/2  
Douglas \$60  
H.K. & K. Wharves \$117  
Providents (Old) \$5.75  
Providents (New) \$5.45  
Rauba \$9.10  
H. & S. Hotels \$155  
H.K. Lands \$33  
Humphreys \$83  
H.K. Franchise \$17  
Star Ferries \$71  
China Lights (Old) \$10 1/2  
China Lights (New) \$10 1/2  
H.K. Electric \$98  
Sandakan Lights \$10.50  
Cements \$15 1/2  
Dairy Farms \$24 1/2  
Watsons \$7.10  
Vibro Piling \$7  
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 6% prm. b.  
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan par b.  
H.K. Ropes \$4.65

**Sellers**  
Hongkong Bank \$13 1/2  
H.K. & K. Wharves \$117  
Providents (Old) \$5.75  
H.K. Lands \$33  
H.K. Electric \$98  
Sandakan Lights \$10.50  
Dairy Farms \$24 1/2  
Antamoka P. \$4 1/4  
Atoka P. \$20  
Baguio Gold \$2 1/4  
Benguet Consol. \$13.00  
Coco Grove \$51  
Cons. Mines \$0.035  
San Mauricio \$1.80  
Suyco Consol. \$19 1/2  
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## SEVEN BRITONS IN KONGMOON

Most of the British subjects residing in Khammouan were evacuated by H.M.S. Cleopatra some time ago.

It is believed that at least seven British subjects still remain there. They elected not to leave the city when the offer of transportation aboard H.M.S. Cleopatra was made. There is no British gunboat at Khammouan at present.

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## Mollison Phones Fiancee (A Hongkong Girl) to Say: "I CAN'T GET MARRIED TO-DAY"

Five minutes before Jim Mollison, airman ex-husband of Amy Johnson, was due to marry wealthy Mrs. Phyllis Hussey on November 10, he telephoned Caxton Hall register office, Westminster, postponing the wedding.

Mrs. Phyllis Hussey who was to have married Jim Mollison on November 10, was formerly the wife of Commander Thomas A. Hussey, well-remembered in Hongkong as Maintenance Commander attached to H.M.S. Tamar.

Mrs. Hussey, whom Mollison met at Cannes in July, is a member of the Fyffe family, the West India banana growers, and is reputed to have an income of £20,000 a year.

Mrs. Hussey was in Hongkong until 1936. Friends of the couple who had gone to Caxton Hall were mystified by the sudden cancellation. Mollison spent the afternoon in his flat in Berkeley-street, Mayfair, with the woman who should have been his bride.

### "DOMESTIC REASONS"

Later Mollison said: "There is nothing unusual about the cancellation of my wedding plans."

"Phyllis and I found that for domestic reasons it was not convenient for us to marry to-day. Asked when he was going to marry Mrs. Hussey, Mollison smiled and said: "Some time in the future." He would not give a date.

"We cannot understand why the cancellation of our wedding should cause such a fuss," he added.

"The reason is a purely private one, and there is no cause for any rumour or speculation in connection with the postponement."

### CROWD WAIT IN VAIN

Mr. Mollison's telephone message cancelling the wedding arrangements was received about two hours after he had made a definite appointment to be married at four o'clock.

It was impossible, he said, to get along, and the ceremony must be put off for a few days only.

A large crowd had gathered outside the register office. Some had been waiting since the office had opened at eight o'clock.

The chief registrar, Mr. Bond, said: "We do not know when the wedding will take place, but it has definitely been cancelled for to-day."

"Notice of the marriage was first given three weeks ago, when it was intended to take place by licence."

### WHIRLWIND COURTSHIP

Mollison proposed to Mrs. Hussey after a whirlwind two-week courtship. His marriage in 1932 to Miss Amy Johnson was dissolved last August.



JIM MOLLISON.

## This Thief Was Light-Fingered

Someone has been reading about the famous Supreme Court clock, which disappeared one memorable day some years ago while the Court was in session.

Last Friday, as the Criminal Sessions were concluding, a call was issued for lights.

A clerk pressed a switch. Nothing happened.

Another clerk pressed another switch. Still nothing happened.

Someone had stolen into the basement and neatly cut off three lengths of the mains.

The police are still searching for the miscreant.

## LATE NEWS

## Condor Flight Mystifies

No Progress Reports: Due To Land At 2.30

Complete mystery has surrounded the flight of the German Condor since it left Tokyo at 5.37 a.m. Tokyo time (4.57 a.m. H.K.T.) this morning. No progress reports have been received from the machine on its 1,600 mile flight to Manila.

The plane was scheduled to arrive at Manila at 2.30 p.m.

Kai Tak Airport radio station has maintained a constant wireless service in an effort to pick up signals from the plane, but up to 4 o'clock nothing had been heard from its short-wave radio transmitter.

No progress reports have been made by the Dome News Agency, which hitherto has reported fully on every movement of the plane. The machine was expected over Formosa this morning.

The weather along the route is reported to be fine. No fears are felt for the safety of the plane.



**PATHTIC JOEY** sniffs through a crack in his cage home at this strange new world to which he has been brought. Joey is one of the Australian kangaroos brought to Hongkong for sale to tourists. Few kangaroos live unless they are allowed to roam freely and are fed on succulent fresh grass. Climatic conditions in Hongkong also lessen Joey's chances of survival.—Staff Photographer.

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HANKOW EVACUATION

## Commons Questions On "British Interference"

LONDON, Dec. 5.

IN THE HOUSE of Commons to-day, Mr. A. C. Moreing asked whether, after the Chinese had retreated from Hankow, British bluejackets were sent to cut wires and remove explosives laid by the Chinese in Japanese buildings: by whose orders this was done, and what was the reason for interfering with legitimate Chinese military operations?

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied in the affirmative, and said that after the Chinese withdrawal, British naval patrols were landed to maintain order in the former British concession which was crowded with refugees.

On taking over the temporary charge, they removed dynamite and other charges from buildings which had previously been prepared for demolition.

This was done to prevent damage to adjoining British property, and him he would certainly consider it.

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